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WASHINGTON TELEGRAMS

GENERAL HAZEN PROPOSES TO REORGANIZE THE SIGNAL SERVICE.

A Plan Submitted to the Secretary of War. Report of a Land Investigation—Work in the Pension Bureau—A Pension Agent Sentenced to the Penitentiary.

WASHINGTON, Dec 3—Gen Hazen, chief signal officer, proposes to reorganize the signal service, and has submitted to the secretary of war a plan in the shape of a carefully prepared bill in which he proposes to establish the signal service as a bureau of the war department, having charge of weather predictions, army signal duty and military telegraph lines The officers of the bureau, under Gen Hazen's plan will be, as at present a chief signal officer with the rank of brigadier general, and such commissioned officers, sergeants and privates as are now provided by law

In communication to the secretary of war accompanying the proposed reorganization Gen Hazen states that the scheme is prompted by experience and careful observation Whatever the signal service has done and is now doing, he says, has been the result of disconnected legislation, usually appended to appropriation acts, and while there is no doubt but that this scope of its work is thoroughly defined it would seem proper and of the highest importance that its organization should be fixed and its work defined by consecutive clauses and one act of organization and establishment without which the service will continue to be the subject of great embarrassment and criticism. Gen Hazen thinks that such a plan is necessary, as on mature thought on account the legal status of the service has been called into question and an officer charged with carrying out important matters under special acts of congress should have a fixed and definite organization and appropriate legal status.

Report of a Land Investigation.

WASHINGTON, Dec 3—Land Commissioner Sparks has referred to the secretary of the interior for transmittal to congress, the report of Surveyor General Julian of New Mexico of his investigation of the private land claim known as Ojo Del Anil involving some 70 000 acres The report of the commissioner and surveyor general set forth that no grant was ever made by the Mexican government, that preliminary concession alleged to have been given is without record evidence of its authenticity, and if authentic, does not constitute a grant that the claimed grantee never entered into possession that there was no occupation of the land which was not segregated from the national domain or reduced to private property and that grants were not authorized to be made except in the manner to the quantity claimed in this case The commissioner concurs with the surveyor general in recommending the rejection by congress of this claim as unfounded and unmeritorious

What the President Will Recommend.

BROOKLYN, Dec 3—A Washington special to the Eagle says 'In his message the president will call attention to the regulation of silver coinage by passing discretionary power in the secretary of the treasury, and the reduction of the receipts by a reduction of customs duties and internal revenue taxes in order to prevent the redundance of revenue and too great an excess of the surplus fund. The president, from the data furnished by the treasury officers, will be able to show that another year has passed with out trouble notwithstanding the indifference manifested toward his recommendation last year on the same subject, it does not follow that the danger has been passed He shows that the favorable conditions of trade averted the complications threatened then, but that we are now so much nearer a crisis and that when it comes, it will come suddenly and will require prompt treatment"

Preparing for Receptions

WASHINGTON, Dec 3—The White House attaches are engaged in fitting the new iron frames to be used in supporting the canvas covering and under which guests on reception evenings walk from their carriages to the White House doors. One of the doorkeepers explains that a reception will not be held until the crepe is removed from the house, but it was deemed necessary to prepare for those to be given after the thirty days of mourning by fixing the awning and its iron frame so that they can be used when needed

Conference Committee.

WASHINGTON, Dec 3—The conference committee on the interstate commerce bill met at the capitol All the members were present and the provisions of the bill passed by the house and senate last session, were discussed until late in the afternoon No agreement was reached Mr Randall's subcommittee on the sundry civil bill were working industriously The bill will be ready for the house early next week

Big Work in the Pension Bureau.

WASHINGTON, Dec 3 — Yesterday the largest days work ever done in the pension bureau was accomplished To this end, forty lady clerks were employed until midnight, when they were sent home in hordes The work accomplished for the month of November was unusually large The total number of claims allowed granted was 7 384 Of these 5 327 were original and 2,057 were for an increase

Timber Cut Land Decision

WASHINGTON, Dec 3—Secretary Lamar has decided that when a timber cut entry has been made upon land, which was held subject to such entry and the party acquired rights there under his entry, would not be cancelled upon an allegation that the land was not "valuable for timber," and therefore not subject to entry

Pension Agent Sentenced.

WASHINGTON, Dec —The pension office is informed of the arrest by Special Examiner Paul F Williamson last Saturday of George Foster, of Knoxville Tenn, for making false affidavits Yesterday Foster was tried, convicted and sentenced by Judge Key to one years imprisonment in the Albany penitentiary

An Attorney Debarred

WASHINGTON, Dec 3 Secretary Lamar has directed that R G Pendleton, of Oakley Kan, be disbarred from practice before the interior department and all its bureaus.

LeFevre for the Turkish Mission.

WASHINGTON, Dec 3—Congressman Ben LeFevre, of Ohio, it is said, is being urged for appointment for the Turkish mission, to succeed Mr Cox.

The Public Printer's Estimate.

WASHINGTON, Dec 3—Public Printer Benedict figures that $85,000 will be necessary to prevent suspension of work in his department on the 15th inst.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

The One Hundredth Anniversary of the Promulgation of the Constitution.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 3—The committee for the arrangement of a suitable celebration of the Centennial anniversary of the promulgation of the Federal Constitution, met here yesterday The committee consists of the delegate from each state and territory The representatives present were as follows New York, Lieutenant Governor E. F Jones Pennsylvania, Amos R. Little, Virginia, William Wirt Henry, Massachusetts, Henry Cabot Lodge, Connecticut, Henry C Robinson, Maryland, Gen. Clinton P Paine, Delaware, John H. Rodney, Michigan, James V Campbell, South Carolina, James A Hoyt, West Virginia, D D Lucas, Missouri Thomas T Gantt, Iowa, John A Kasson Indiana, Charles H. Reeves, Montana, Edward W Knight, New Hampshire, Benjamin A Kimball, New Jersey, Charles G Garrison Georgia was the only one of the thirteen original states not represented

Thomas Cochran, of the local committee, having charge of the entertainment of the visitors, delivered an address of welcome. The committee organized with John A Kasson as chairman Mr Henry said that Governor Lee, of Virginia, had corresponded with President Cleveland in regard to the proposed celebration, and that the president would suggest to congress in his annual message that action be taken in regard to it

A committee with Henry Cabot Lodge as chairman was appointed to confer with a citizens committee in relation to formulating a plan for the celebration.

A recess of two hours was then taken, during which time the citizens' and the delegates' committee had a conference.

Upon reassembling, Mr Lodge reported that the following outline of a program of the celebration had been agreed upon. An oration and poem commemorative of the signing of the constitution, a military display in which all the branches of the United States service will be represented, an industrial procession and the creation of a perpetual memorial commemorative of the constitution

The president and cabinet, congress, officials of the government, foreign representatives, officials of the state governments, civic and other organizations will be invited to participate in the celebration

A Faith Cure.

LAFAYETTE Ind, Dec. 3.—Hon. Hilery Mattingly an old citizen of Davies county, late candidate for representative in the state legislature reports what he claims to be a miraculous cure in answer to prayer Mr Mattingly is a fine mechanic, seventy-one years of age and has done a vast amount of hard manual labor He has been afflicted for several years past with a severe and constant pain in his back, which had gradually drawn his body down until he was so bent as to be unable to walk without a cane. A few days ago he straightened up, his pain left him and ever since he has been free of it, and walks as erect and spry as a man of half his age He is a devout church member, and ascribes this sudden cure is due solely to the fervent prayers he has made for health

Indiana State Board of Health.

LAFAYETTE, Ind, Dec. 3—Dr S R. Seawright, of this city president of the state board of health, assisted by Capt A A. Rice, is arranging for a sanitary convention to be held here the first Wednesday in January It is the intention to gather together representative stock raisers and dealers and those from every county in Indiana for a full discussion of the pleuro pneumonia, hog cholera, hoose and other diseases, and of other questions of interest to cattle men and agricultural

Dreadful Work of a Parlor Match.

BELLAIRE O, Dec 3—The house of Robert Hall, of Franklin, a mining village near here, was demolished by an explosion of powder Some one stepped on a parlor match and the small flame some distance into an open keg of powder The front end of the store was blown out, and six persons in the room were knocked down. The proprietor is probably fatally hurt. Jacob Weisman was dangerously burned about the face, and Clarence Neff seriously bruised A boy in the store was also hurt

A Delicate Operation.

FRAZIL Ind, Dec 3—A delicate surgical operation was performed here late yesterday, the subject being the five year-old daughter of Mr H C Keith The child was suffering extremely from membraneous croup when an incision was made in the windpipe and a silver tube inserted Respiration was at once restored and the child's life saved The physician who performed the experiment was Dr J F Smith, a young but scientific practioner

November's Big Fire Losses.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3—The New York Daily Commercial Bulletin, of December 3, estimates the November fire loss in the United States and Canada at $10,000,000, which is an increase of one third upon the November average since the Boston fire of '72 There were 190 fires who reported the loss was $10 000 and over The large fires of from $100,000 up to $900,000 numbered nineteen and caused a loss in the aggregate of $5 000 000

A Short Strike.

BRAZIL, Ind., Dec 3—The two hundred and fifty miners employed at the Bartlette & Campbell mines, who struck yesterday for reinstatement of a checkweighman and for redress of an alleged short weight wrong, resumed this morning The checkweighman was reinstated and the grievance was referred to the arbitration board of the Federated Association of Miners

A Doctor's Suicide in Bed.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec 3—Dr James S Perkins, a prominent dentist of this city committed suicide by shooting while lying in bed. No cause can be assigned for the rash act.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT SEA.

SIX MEN INSTANTLY CRUSHED TO DEATH.

The Terrible Experience of the Steamship Westerland, in a Violent Hurricane, on Her Way From Antwerp to New York. Twenty Passengers and Seamen Injured.

NEW YORK, Dec 3—The steamship Westerland, which arrived from Antwerp, this morning, experienced very heavy weather On November 27, the vessel encountered a violent hurricane A huge sea broke over the bows stoving in the turtle back and killing two steerage passengers and four seamen The passengers killed were Max Frank and Gabriel Livadri. Twenty seamen and passengers were injured more or less severely Capt. Randle of the Westerland, was seen at the office of the Red Star line He said

"The accident is unaccountable There was a good sea running, but I did not regard it as anything dangerous Under the turtle back there were assembled at the time, groups of sailors and passengers. Suddenly one of the waves came rushing toward the ship, assuming the form of a towering column of water Whether a cross sea or not, there seemed to be no satisfactory explanation The mass of water swept toward the ship with imposing grandeur, and as it struck the vessel shook as though a mere toy When the great column broke over the deck "there were screams of distress" and the vessel was for a moment submerged.

"When the flood passed a panic prevailed. The thick iron beams and plates of the turtle back were broken. Underneath the wreckage was a distressing sight. The shock killed four Belgian sailors outright They were crushed in a shocking manner Near them lay two passengers fatally injured, and scattered about the deck were at least twenty more persons more or less hurt, some very seriously No more waves came on board That night the bodies of the four dead sailors were given sailors' burials. The next day the two passengers died, and they too were buried at sea. It is believed that the other injured persons will recover Everything possible has been done for their comfort"

A SINGULAR ACCIDENT.

Thrown Out of His Wagon Into the Canal, and Drowned.

CINCINNATI, Dec 3—Last night about 7 o'clock Fred Wibbleman, a carpenter, was drowned in the canal under very peculiar circumstances He was returning home from work with his tools in a spring wagon He drove out Charlotte street to the canal and, taking the towpath on the east side started north The towpath afforded ample way for the wagon until he reached the Third lay street bridge

There the abutments of the bridge are built up within about four feet of the edge of the canal wall, leaving barely room for the canal mules to pass Wibbleman tried to drive under the bridge, when his wagon struck the abutment, precipitating him into the canal. The wagon tipped up, and he was thrown out into the water The horse held his feet, and succeeded in pulling the wagon out but the unfortunate man was left struggling in the icy water

His cries for help attracted several passers by, and they ran to his assistance, but they arrived too late to save his life. John Kappel several others got the body out, and while waiting for the patrol wagon, which had been sent for, every effort was made to bring life back to the drowned man, but without avail, the water had done its work Patrol No 3 removed the body to Habig's where it will remain until to-day Wibbleman lived at No 67 Borden street. He leaves a wife and five children, all young He was forty three years old

Brooklyn Revenue Reform Club.

BROOKLYN, Dec 3—Rev Henry Ward Beecher presided at the annual dinner of the Brooklyn Revenue Reform club last night at Everett hall A telegram was read from Congressman Morrison, stating that he could not attend He also sent a private letter to Mr Thomas G Shearman, of the club, saying that he felt very sore by the opposition he received at the recent election from leading Democrats of the east. He referred especially to Mr Hewitt's speech at the reform meeting in the Stewart building New York, a few days before the election He also mentioned Hon Leopold Morse's speech to a revenue reform club at Boston The letter was not read, but became known to those present About one hundred well known Brooklynites were present Letters of regret were read from Congressmen Felix Campbell, S S Cox, Perry Belmont, and others. Mr Beecher and others made speeches.

Arrested for Robbing the Mails.

GRAND RAPIDS Mich Dec 3—A H Ellwood, mail agent of the Grand Rapids & Indiana road between here and Cincinnati was arrested at the postoffice in this city by Inspectors Bassett and Kibler Ellwood is charged with systematically robbing letters and seventy five marked bills were found in his possession He confesses everything and knowledges that the peculations amount to $2 00 Ellwood's home is at Silver Creek Ind, where he has a wife and three children He was appointed four years ago 25 years old a veteran soldier and in poor health He says he was led to steal from financial straits and for fear of leaving his family unprovided for

Sentenced for Life for Burglary.

COLUMBUS, Dec 3.—Robert Patterson has been received at the penitentiary from Mirmi county on a five-year sentence for burglary This is not strange, but as he is on his third trip, according to his new parole law he will have to be confined for life Patterson's attorneys hold that the law is not a good one since it punishes a man for crimes for which he has already served time On the other hand it is claimed that if a man gets into the pen the third time he is a confirmed criminal, of no use to society and should stay there If the attorneys get Patterson released it will break up the parole law

A Mining Stock Firm Fails.

VIRGINIA Nev, Dec 3—L. B Frankel & Co, the oldest mining stock firm in this state has failed with liabilities of $915,000 The creditors include many of the most prominent shareholders in the Comstock mines

A FLASH FROM BELVA

Not Willing to Be a Candidate in 1888. Her Admiration for Mrs. Cleveland.

BUFFALO N Y, Dec. 3.—Belva A Lockwood the lady lawyer and ex candidate for president passed through this place en route for Conneaut, Ohio, where she opens her lecturing season. In conversation with a reporter she said "I am not a candidate for renomination in 1888 It has been suggested that I should run with St John, but I should have to be the head of the ticket I have nominated Matilda Joslyn Gage, of Syracuse, to be United States senator from New York, and I think she ought to suit the District of Columbia I was born in Niagara county and never renounced my residence there May be I'm all right yet If you can fix it for me I'll run I have a very strong admiration for President Cleveland on account of his democratic way of being accessible to everybody He sees everybody, except while writing his message to congress

"I have also a very good opinion of Mrs Cleveland She has held her position admirably I allude to her in every lecture as a typical American woman She is not a great beauty, but still very good looking what I should call a handsome woman, graceful in form, with natural dignity and tact The southern people are greatly pleased with the president and his wife. It is quite the thing now for excursion parties to come to Washington from Richmond, Norfolk Alexandria and other cities, and they all go to the White House"

THE MILWAUKEE ANARCHIST.

Paul Grottkaw Takes the Witness Stand and Testifies in His Own Behalf.

MILWAUKEE Dec 3—In the trial of Paul Grottkaw for inciting to riot, the defendant testified in his own behalf He asserted that in his speech at Milwaukee garden he had exerted all his eloquence to keep the men off the streets and away from the saloons, to avoid all possible conflicts with the authorities, to defend all property, and in every conceivable way propogate peaceable settlements of existing difficulties. On cross-examination, the defendant was made to admit that immediately previous to the riots he had absolute control of the labor movements here, that all the reports relating to them were submitted to him and acted upon, and that he had knowledge of the first riot at Bay View before he made his speech.

After Grottkaw several carpenters and Socialists graced the witness stand, and they testified that his two speeches had been anything but inciting to riot They corroborated his version in every detail, and the impression was created, which was afterwards nearly substantiated by one witness that their testimony was manufactured

Mrs Capt. Black all day long occupied a seat next to the wife of Defendant Moesinger, and seemed somewhat agitated when he saw her husband confronted with numerous adverse rulings of the court.

THE HAWAIIAN SUGAR CROP.

From Ten to Fifteen Thousand Tons Below That of Last Year.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec 3—When the Australian steamer arrived yesterday, bringing no Hawaiian sugar, and when it was learned too, that Spreckel's schooners were returning to San Francisco in stone ballast, there was quite a ripple of excitement among the wholesale grocers. A careful inquiry elicited the following exact and unsensational reports of the condition of things

The Island sugar crop is from ten to fifteen thousand tons below last year's, and between five and ten thousand below the average yield, which is one hundred thousand tons Drouth has retarded the condition of the canes, and crushing will not begin until a month later than usual, or about Christmas While waiting for the new supply San Francisco's two refineries will have to economize in their deliveries, Spreckels' establishment being particularly short of raw material There will, however, be no opening for New York refiners if it can possibly be prevented Through pressure and competition low prices are half a cent a pound lower than eastern prices, and a sugar famine must be more imminent than it now is before an advance of even that amount is risked

GIVEN AWAY BY A REPORTER.

Chicago Has a Mystic Circle of Presbyterian Clericals.

CHICAGO, Dec 3—Quite a breeze has been occasioned among the Presbyterian divines of this city in consequence of the discovery of the existence of a secret and exclusive society within the ranks known as the "Chicago Clerics." What its objects are or wherefore it was established remain, however, mysterious

This select order of clerics had a meeting at the Sherman house the other evening upon which, as a matter of course, a report stumbled. The participants, however, did not like the idea of publicity, and so they sent an ambassador to the scribe to plead for secrecy The delegate selected, however, was not a diplomate, and so he addressed the newsgatherer in this vein, "The mass of the Presbyterian ministers don't know of the existence of the 'clerics,' and we don't want them to—it's better not, you know. So please don't mention it." But the reporter did mention it, all the same And now the great majority of the divines want to know what it all means, and just why it is that they are not wanted to know anything about it

Another Embezzler.

CLEVELAND, Dec 3—Edward Townsend & Co, wholesale grocers of Cleveland, O are astonished to discover that their most trusted salesman, Henry F Fenton, is probably embezzler to the amount of $5 000 He was known all over Ohio, Pennsylvania and Southern Michigan, had been in the firm's employ for many years, and was thoroughly trusted Recently he collected large bills from dealers in the interior and pocketed the proceeds, telling the firm that they were hard pressed/and could not pay

Storm on the Lake

BUFFALO, Dec 3—The steamer Nashua arrived yesterday morning, and the captain reported dropping her tow—Potomac Annie Vought and Parsons—when above Long Point Tugs were sent out and shortly before noon the Potomac was brought in The Annie Vought was towed in before 2 o'clock and the Parsons was anchored a short way up the lake A heavy sea is running, making it next to impossible for even tugs to make headway against it.

GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

MR. THOMAS SEXTON INTERVIEWED ON THE AFFAIRS OF IRELAND.

Why the Government is Prosecuting John Dillon—He Does Not Believe That the National League Will Be Suppressed By the Government—Other Cable Items.

DUBLIN, Dec 3—Mr Thomas Sexton, M P, being asked by a reporter what, in his judgment, caused the action of the government in prosecuting Mr Dillon, and proclaiming the National league, said "I have no doubt that the success of the league's campaign against the rack rent landlords compelled the landlords to appeal to the government, and the government could do no less than yield to their appeals and be consistent with their professions"

Mr Sexton was then asked if he thought the league would be suppressed, to which question he replied 'No It the government attempts to suppress the league by the acts of the viceroy they will be placed in a ruinous, untenable position Moreover if the league should be suppressed and meetings proclaimed the government would find the situation more difficult than ever, as public indignation would make the success of the tenants more rapid and more certain"

Escaped From Prison.

PARIS, Dec 3—A great sensation was caused here by the escape from Mazas's prison of M Altmayer, a wealthy Jew, who was undergoing imprisonment for embezzlement The prisoner forged a letter ordering his release, and obtained his liberty by showing it to the warden of the prison

Marquis of Londonderry Displaced.

DUBLIN, Dec —The Nation says the appointment of Gen Buller as permanent under secretary for Ireland, is very displeasing to the Marquis of Londonderry, lord lieutenant of Ireland, whose desire to resign his office in consequence of the appointment is very strong

A Deadly Assault.

DUBLIN, Dec. 3 — A laborer named Vaughan, was assaulted and terribly beaten by four men in Ballynetty, County Limerick Vaughan's skull was fractured and he will die from the effects of his injuries.

Death of a Notorious Nihilist.

ST PETERSBURG Dec 3—The notorious Nihilist Bachmatoff, is dead

The Bishop of Vienna Dead.

VIENNA, Dec 3—Monsignor Grieswardein, bishop of Vienna, is dead

ADULTERATED TEA.

Twenty-Five Thousand Pounds Condemned at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec 3—A large shipment of tea, consigned to Frank E Fernald, of this city, has been condemned by Tea Inspector Langley, and is detained at the appraiser's store to await the result of further investigation The exact quantity condemned the officers would not say, but it is understood that there are several hundred packages of the stuff, making an aggregate of about 25, 000 pounds

The goods were imported from Hiogo, coming by way of Port Moody and St Vincent The verdict of Inspector Langley, after a careful examination of the tea, was that the quality was very poor and adulterated bringing it within the provisions of the act of March 2 1883, which prohibits the entry of spurious and adulterated teas into the United States Mr Fernald has appealed from the decision of the inspector, and Collector Seeberger has appointed a board of examiners, composed of tea merchants of well known experience, to pass upon the goods If they sustain the decision of the inspector the goods will be seized and destroyed as the law directs

Suit Against an Ex State Treasurer.

HARRISBURG, Pa, Dec 3—A suit has been entered in the Dauphin county court by the state against Silas M Bailey, late state treasurer, and his sureties, eleven in number During Mr Bailey's term as state treasurer he deposited various sums belonging to the state in banks in different parts of the state The Ex hange bank, of Beadford, McKean county was one of the state depositories and had $70,000 of the commonwealth's funds in its coffers One day the Exchange bank went up and closed its doors, and State Treasurer Bailey, with others, failed to get their deposits Bailey immediately brought suit against the bank officials for the amount in the local court, and won his case The case was carried to the supreme court, and recently argued at Pittsburg, but not decided In the meantime Gen Bailey, when he left office, was out just $70,000, which he owed the state Thus he has not yet paid in, and the state has brought suit against him and his bondsmen for the amount

Green Glass Manufacturers.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 3—The Green Glass Manufacturers association east, at a largely attended meeting here, adopted resolutions condemning the arbitrary and unjust action of some of the officers of the Green Glass Blowers league, in ordering a strike against the wishes of a large majority of the members, and, as reported using threats and false statements to induce men to violate agreements with employers The resolutions further recognize the right of workmen to organize, but ascribe the existing state of affairs to ignorant and designing men, who have foisted themselves to the head of the union They condemn the practice of allowing apprentices to vote on an equal footing with skilled workmen The manufacturers express their belief that the workmen will be able to keep their agreements Meanwhile the works closed will remain closed until the men agree to work on the new scale

Charles Tunnell a [illegible] fourteen and twelve years [illegible] United States jail at [illegible] five in the Cherokee Nation [illegible] in their neighborhood engaged [illegible] older boy named John Williams [illegible] ing him twice, once in the lungs His wounds are dangerous, although he is still alive.

Court House Burned

FAYETTE Mo, Dec — [illegible] county court house [illegible] to the ground [illegible] $22 000 [illegible]

BRIEF MENTION.

News of the Day Compressed for the Hasty Perusor.

Ex Vice President William A Wheeler is in poor health

Governor Foraker is heartily in favor of the abolition of spring elections.

A little son of Benjamin Goodliff, near Bremen, Ohio, was attacked and killed by a vicious bear

Dr and Mrs. Aveling lectured on Socialism to an audience of about 900 at Music Hall Cincinnati last night.

There were eight slight shocks of earthquake at Summerville, Ga., Wednesday night and Thursday morning

Mrs John Davis prominent in Washington society, daughter of the late Secretary of State Frelinghuysen has suffered a stroke of paralysis

L B Frankel & Co, the oldest mining firm in Nevada, failed for $915 000 It is stated that the members of the firm have skipped with plenty of money

At Monticello, Ark, masked men took from jail Buck Hunter, colored, charged with intent to kill on two respected citizens, and hanged him to a tree.

"Beaver" and "Samuel," two Arrapahoe Indians who have been in confinement at Joliet prison for a year past, have been released and sent west to their reservation

At Minneapolis the supreme court denied the motion of the defendants in the great King Remington suit for a reargument of the case The accounting will now proceed

A gold fever has broken out in Ulster county, New York, over the discovery of gold in the Shawangunk mountains Heretofore the finds have amounted to nothing

About $4 000 worth of opium was found secreted on board the steamer Rio Janeiro, which arrived at San Francisco from China yesterday, and it was seized for violation of customs

Near Renford, Ark, 'Squire Rains was fired upon from an ambush and instantly killed The Malpass boys were arrested for the crime, and were committed to jail without bail

S S Stuckey, a Nevada, Mo, loan and insurance agent left the city Monday, leaving his wife and three children Developments indicate that he is short about $1,200 on his collections

Herman Forkenberg has been arrested in New York for attempting to "fix" the McQuade jury Efforts have also been made by outsiders to learn the opinion of new talesmen, and the matter will be investigated

Light proprietors of second-rate hotels and restaurants in Hartford, Conn, were arrested for using oleomargarine on their tables without displaying the placard "oleomargarine used here," as required by law, under penalty of $50 fine

E H Hobart, alias Keller, who recently obtained $15 worth of goods from Bell, Miller & Co, of Cincinnati, is also wanted in St Louis, where he played the same game on Congressman O'Neill that he did on Congressman Butterworth.

Government Inspector McEachran has recommended that Canada quarantine against western cattle, in order to exclude pleuro-pneumonia. He is about to go to England, and will there announce that the disease has been eradicated in Canada.

Theodore S Mize confidential bookkeeper for Minor I Ames, a millionaire coal merchant of Chicago, is a heavy defaulter The amount of his embezzlement is not made public, but is estimated at $100,000 He has turned over some property to Mr Ames, and there will probably be no prosecution

Indications.

WASHINGTON Dec 3—For the Ohio Valley Fair weather, colder, northwesterly winds

FINANCE AND COMMERCE

Quotations of the Money, Stock, Produce, and Cattle Markets for December 4

New York—Money 6 @ 8 per cent. Exchange firmly Government unsettled

Currency sixes 128 bid fours coupons 129¼ fours and a half's 110½ bid

The stock market opened active and excited and remained buying for foreign and domestic account all day to 2½ per cent [illegible] he had [illegible] on however, the market was irregular and [illegible] stocks was, that at [illegible] of writing the best figures a general advancement

Bur & Quincy	127½	Mich Central	94
Canadian Pacific	60¾	Missouri Pacific	115¾
Canada Southern	50	N Y Central	114¼
Central Pacific	30¾	Northwestern	1.04
C C C & I	84	Northern Pacific	29¾
Del & Hudson	106	do preferred	66½
D L, Lack & W	132	Ohio & Miss.	24½
Denver R G	41¾	Pacific Mail	59
Erie	31¾	Reading	50
Illinois Central	133	Rock Island	127
Lake Shore	84	St Paul	96¾
Kansas & Texas	7¾	do preferred	120¼
Lake Shore	90¾	Union Pacific	67¾
Louisville & Nash	64	Western Union	94

Cincinnati

FLOUR—Easy, family $3 15@3 35, family $3 15@3 35

WHEAT—No 3 red 74@76, No 2 red 73@73½

CORN—No 2 mixed 36c, No 2 mixed, 36c

OATS No 2 mixed 28@28c No 2 mixed, 29@30c No 3 white, 31@32c

PORK—Family, $10 50@11 00 regular $11 00@11 25

LARD—Kettle, 6½@6¾c

BACON—Shoulders 6¾@7c

CHEESE—Firm to choice Ohio 11½@12 New York 11@12

POULTRY—Spring chickens $1 25@1 50 prime to choice 1 00@1 20, common to fair old, 75@90c per dozen ducks $1 50@2 00 live turkeys, 9½@9¾c

WOOL—Unwashed fine clothing $9@10c, fine delaine $8@9c, common $6@7 50 fleece-washed medium clothing, 32@33c, combing 30@31c fine delaine X and XX 28@30c burr and cots, 17@20c unwashed, 31@36c, pulled, 27@30

HAY—No 1 timothy $10 50@11 50, No 2, $9 00@10 00 mixed 8 50 prime $ 00@7 50, wheat, oat and rye straw $5 00@6 00

CATTLE—Prime to choice butchers $3 15@3 35, fair to good 2 90@3 10 common, 1 50@2 15 stockers and feeders $2 25@2 60 yearlings and calves, 00@2

HOGS Select butchers $4 10@4 15 fair to good light, $3 75@4 00 common 3 50@3 60 packers $3 60@3 90, fair to good 3 75@3 90

SHEEP Firm and unchanged prime, $4 00@4 25 fair to good $3 70@4 00, common $1 00@2 50 lambs $2 25@5 00 receipts 1 800 head [illegible] 00 head

East Liberty

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The belief is well grounded that al normal fortunes will not be accumulated in the future as they have in the past, and the Goulds, Vanderbilts, Stewarts Astors and others of like wealth are not liable to exist in a few years The progress of the times is making it impossible for individuals to accumulate such vast fortunes The phenomenal increase in population and value of real estate can not occur in the future as in the past The fabulous war prices that furnished the stepping stones to fortunes will not likely occur again The people are wide awake to the enormous railroad steals and the day for them is passed, beyond a reasonable doubt, and the continued manipulation of legislatures and Congress in the interest of monopolies is no longer tolerated We do not pretend to argue that these evils are no longer alive, but they are not secure, for the people will not permit them Stock watering is not as prevalent as it has been in the past two decades, and the rich mining developments can be scarcely what they have been for thirty years A few thoughts on the subject leads to the conclusion that the time has come for the making of more honest and reasonable fortunes and the decrease in number of abnormal concentrations of wealth in single funds The condition of mankind will certainly be bettered thereby

The coal miners in the Jackson district of Ohio threaten to strike if an advance of five cents is not allowed, despite the fact that the union to which they belong advise against such a step because of an agreement entered in last Febuary to work at the present for one year The men have done well under the existing scale, have plenty of work and draw their pay regularly, but the insane idea prevails that they must strike if a five cents raise isn't granted, and it seems that no protests will prevent it The present scale was an agreement, the result of arbitration and if these miners strike in the face of this they violate every pledge of manhood and distroy the fidelity that many employers have in a laborer's pledge It seems that a great many working men in this country really have no conceptions of what is for their own good and they are adding to the heap of popular disapproval by their own efforts in spite of advice and appeals from those who would like to see them do well

It will be seen by reference to the proceedings of the city council that a step has been made in the right direction to secure waterworks For nearly two years a majority of the council has realized the popular feeling for waterworks and have been in favor of securing them The move last winter, however, made no progress When the council places the matter in the hands of citizens the things goes all right 'till a few fellows get at logrcheads, then comes a complete stop to all proceedings The people generally choose men for the council that they have some faith in and that body is certainly able to secure waterworks in a business like manner It the council will now follow up the move made Wednesday night and work harmoniously as they well can, if they are governed by their own judgement, there is nothing to prevent Marion having a good system of waterworks in a comparatively short time Keep it up

No little prominence has been given the fact that Mr Blaine refused the profered hand of Senator Edmunds at Arthur's funeral, and the fact is magnified for political effect only True the actors in that brief play are prominent politicians and the fact is a little more noticeable than though circumstances were different, but the point is strained Mr Blaine evidently had good reasons for snubbing the cool Vermonter and Edmunds has reason to feel offended very much thereby, but this fact will have no effect on the presidential contest if Blaine is a candidate Edmunds and his friends worked as hard against Blaine in 84 as they possibly could and they can do no worse again

The great blasphemer, Col Robert Ingersoll, gives mighty poor advice on theology but he offers some practicable remarks on the laboring question He says he would like to see the laboring men have a president of their own and a majority in Congress, so that they might see how little they could accomplish by legislation The Colonel thinks they would find that making a living in this world is an individual affair and that each man must look out for himself" This is a sensible idea of domestic economy

The testimony from Georgia is to the effect that local prohibition which prevails there so largely is to make people drink more and adopt the wholesale plan of buying Buying liquor by the quart naturally produces more drinking for its very handy to take a nip at it is there than to sneak into a saloon on the 11 plan

That very energetic New York lobbyist Alderman McWade is again on trial at Metropolis and will probably join his fellow boodlers in Sing Sing if the jury doesn't happen to consist of one wise man and eleven dampfools

The Mayor's report of the court fines collected for the month of ... county by ... Justices ... greatly on the circuit ... will be fines imposed ... however that three months of low ... who grace the mayor's court ... to pay fines and ... when it bears them in the winter ... the stone pile cannot be ... well to let a good many ... collected do not show up well

The Cleveland Leader has entered upon the very commendable task of soliciting a fund for a Christmas dinner to the poor of that city The old sum received so far amounts to a little over one thousand dollars though the effort was first broached last saturday morning This is a generous enterprise and the Leader will have the satisfaction of well doing

Senator Mahone, who knows more about Virginia politics than any man in the Old Dominion, says Sherman can carry that state as easily as he can Ohio This is a cheering piece of news for republicans but at this writing it doesn't look as though Sherman would be the nominee

It is rumored that Ben Tillery is likely to succeed Cox as minister to Turkey Ben is not the joker that "Sunset" is justly reputed to be, but he would do well among the unspeakable Turks and his Ohio friends hope for a realization as the rumor goes

Col Boone's interesting letter to the Star is given elsewhere If Col Boone really intends to build a road to Marion and his letter reads that way he will find as generous a welcome here as any where on his line Success to col and the Black Diamond, Mr Boone

A very refreshing exhibit of gall is that of W R Coleman an Ashland south charged with stealing $1000 from the county treasury William says he "just took it and expected to pay it back some day

The published testimony in the Cline Campbell divorce case, London becomes ranker as the proceedings advance It might be truly remarked that "it smells to heaven

RAILROAD NEWS

There were three Js Thursday on the express

There were 400 west bound cars in the C and A yards Wednesday night

There will be two of the C and A railroad boys who will not spend Christmas in Marion

Engines are so scarce on the C and A that they are compelled to put on passenger engines

The Erie has re-elected all its old directors but the officers of the board have not been chosen

There was a slight collision on the C and A at Monterey Wednesday morning, the damages were slight

J H B Beale and Harry Culbertson are seeing if they can't make twenty five cents out of the twenty four

J Broughton general manager of the C and A was in Columbus Wednesday attending to C and A Business

Charley Wheeler and Jim Thornton are running C and A pumps on day time while Hank Gregory runs the night pump

All the roads will give excursion rates to local points during the holiday One and one-third fare will be charged for the round trip

The C and A must be acknowledged best time maker of any of the Cincinnati roads in this city None of the others of the route a minute but is often as the C and A

Guy Gregory is now a hot switchman in the C and A having two assistants in consequence of which he sleeps in the office more than usual and smokes a greater amount of dog leg tobacco

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THE BLACK DIAMOND.

COL BOONE WRITES THE STAR A MEANING LETTER.

In Which He Says the Black Diamond is Coming Up to the Wes Faith of Many Others The Col Will Have Some with Coup Lines

The Star has private reasons for recently chronicled every thing that has been said toward a new railroad for Marion When the Black Diamond project was first mentioned the Star took it up the project before the people of Marion and ordered ... encouragement possible But when Col Boone's schemes were reported to be in all directions the consistency was lost and we lost faith A project to Buckeye one to Delaware another to Galion and all others in vogue since Jim besides the proposed Marion route led to the justified presumption that Col Boone was building an eddies rather than railroads and his paper railroads as they were regarded were generally laughed at and we have participated in poking fun at the inflated bubbles So the Col writes to as follows

CENTRAL HOTEL
Galion O Dec 1889

EDITOR MARION STAR —It seems strange that you should be against the Black Diamond You are the first newspaper man that I ever heard of that arrays his paper against a project that cannot but help his town You want to bear in mind that what you say will not have any effect for Boone will get there just the same

By way of information will show you the route that the Zanesville Mt Vernon and Marion Railway company will occupy with a completed standard gauge railroad by Nov 25 1888 viz Main line Zanesville Orville Nashport Frazesburg Dalls burg, Martinsburg (one mile west Gambier Mt Vernon Fredericktown with one fork of the Y from Fredericktown via Shaunks and Galion to the track of the Pittsburgh Ft Wayne and Chicago railroad four miles north of Galion with another fork of the Y from Fredericktown via Luzerne Chesterville Mt Gilead Edison and Bismark to Marion O

This road is the extension of the Zanesville and Ohio River railway from Zanesville via Malta and Hamden to Parkersburg W Va of which 26 miles has been completed this year The balance will be completed during 1889

I am the first person in Ohio to put under contract since the panic of 1884 railway, viz the last named road above During 1885 there were four miles of railway built in Ohio I took it in 1887 to be the greatest railway year the country ever saw and hence I am pushing with all my might and main to get it ready for travel by April 1887 for construction and to that end I have the engineers operations route to Marion and they will reach your place the next Monday night the 7th inst

If you rejoice at the success of your town I will say it only I will tap the Chicago and Atlantic at less than five miles west of Marion

You can look for the Black Diamond railroad man the coming week and I feel to swing your town into line it will be the first community that I ever satisfied that Boone is in earnest honest in his purpose and will succeed just the same as though there was no opposition to him personally or to his road

Respectfully
WARREN L BOONE

P S —I have no objections to your using this before your readers word for word

The perusal of Col Boone's letter leads to the impression that he means business and we hasten to emphatically inform the gentleman that the STAR and the people of Marion are quite the reverse of being against him and his road Marion will be glad to be on the road if it is to be built and she will probably do her share The only trouble before us is that the apparently infeasible plan made Marion the doubting Thomas and we want something to inspire faith We presume Col Boone can do this and his advent in Marion is awaited with interest

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Thomas F B Tinker and Miss Sue A Boxwell

NOTES ABOUT AMUSEMENTS

Margaret Mather played in Detroit last week

Mme Patti is back in New York and drawing big and enthusiastic audiences as of yore.

William J Florence and his wife have had a very successful engagement in San Francisco

Theodore Thomas is paid $15,000 for fifteen weeks of work as manager of the American Opera company

Dion Boucicault is at work on a new Irish play of the Shaughraun order, which he will produce soon in Boston

"The Chouans" Modjeska's new play, has been very successful in New York On Dec 6 she will produce another new play—Dan cla'—an adaptation from the German, of which little is known

Fanny Davenport says the part of "Fedora" is the hardest female role now played She cannot play it more than three or four times a week because it is so fatiguing She is going to revive the action of playing a double bill on Saturday night and so are a number of other first class artists

The American Opera company has begun its season in a blaze of glory, and the papers of Philadelphia in which city the first performances of the year were given have exhausted Noah Webster's stock of superlatives telling of the wonderful singing and the agile dancing And every patriotic American will rejoice that it

De Bensaule bust in of Violet Cameron has followed Lonsdale the bespangled actress Redfern manager back to England There is some mystery about it all It is held by some that Bensaule was shipped back and that Lonsdale was at the bottom of it all It looks as of the last act in a well scheme of advertising an indifferent variety actress had been played out For once the American public has refused to be humbugged

Philadelphia has an old theatrical shoemaker who has builded foot gear for most of the stage lights of the last quarter century He declares that Mary Anderson has a corn on each little toe and that her shoes have to be padded with wool on that account The old man says that the time was when no actor would think of playing a boot part in low cut shoes but now it would be surprising if some day Julius Cæsar is played in gaiters with pink rosettes

There are about 1,400 lawyers in San Francisco but only one to every 170 inhabitants

Washington policemen are required to wear white gloves and carry canes while on duty

GOSSIP ABOUT MR. ARTHUR

HIS MANHOOD AS A PRESIDENT. HIS WHITE HOUSE DINNERS

How High Living Killed Him—His Dignity Upon Leaving the White House How He and Garfield Played Marbles Together—President Arthur's Children.

[Special Correspondence]

WASHINGTON Nov 29 —The memory of President Arthur will long continue as green as the ivy which climbs about the White House He showed himself to be a man while he acted as president, and during the latter part of his administration both parties delighted to do him honor As far as Washington and its society is concerned he was one of the most popular presidents we have ever had. He felt the dignity of his position and appreciated the honor of the presidency as much as did Gen Washington himself He acted like a president. He entertained royally, and still democratically The White House was open to all comers, the poorest and most ignorant were not snubbed He gave elegant dinners, and was in his element at a White House reception. Still he posed as a friend to the negro, and was always ready to raise his voice for the colored man He was by no means niggardly in spending his salary He came into the White House, I am told, worth more than $100,000, and he left it worth much less.

Shortly after President Arthur took office the duties became very distasteful to him The newspapers were full of uncomplimentary notices, the sky of prophecy was black, and the perplexities of the presidency were never greater Arthur was overrun with office seekers both day and night, and he told ex Postmaster General Tyner that if the presidency were offered him again by the unanimous vote of the people he would not take it. As time wore on, however, his work grew systematized He liked the honor and flattery which came with the position, and during the last year of his term he strove with all his might to secure his re-election He failed, but after his retirement he still kept sight of the dignity of his office, refused to go into the practice of the law, and lived quietly until he died.

President Arthur worked very hard while he was in the White House, and he ruined his health by working irregularly He sat up late and rose late He ate his dinners at midnight, and it was often 1 or 2 o'clock before he got away from the table He usually rose at 9 30 took a light breakfast of coffee and a roll and then went into his office to receive callers From 10 to 13 o'clock he had a continual siege of office seekers. First, the ordinary office seeker came, then the congressman, and after that the cabinet minister Sometimes he received his callers in the afternoon and he went through the hand shaking regularly He did not begin his dinner, as a rule, until after 7 o'clock, and often later He liked high living, and tickled his stomach with terrapin and champagne. Toward the latter part of his administration the richness of his food began to tell upon his system and he strove to remedy the evil He did not, however, cut down upon his diet, but tried to work off the surplus by exercise He took horseback rides and walked considerably Very fond of fishing, and the killer, I believe of the largest salmon ever killed in this country, he took many a little fishing junket and it was at the advice of his physician that, with his cabinet, he went to Florida The Florida health trip was not a great success He had a severe attack of stomach trouble during it and the papers were full of alarming reports. The excitement of the latter days of his administration had much to do with keeping him up, and he began to fail as soon as Cleveland was inaugurated There is no doubt that White House wining and dining had much to do with his death and he is only one of a great number of public men who have been killed by this element of Washington life During the last year of his administration President Arthur made it a rule to dine all the congressmen and senators and their wives. He spent more than $5,000 a year on his dinners and $10 a plate is a low estimate of their cost. Arthur paid his cook $1 800 a year, and it is said that his private dinners often cost as high as $5 a plate He kept up his dinners until the last, and he closed his administration by an elegant lunch to President Cleveland immediately after the review of the procession on inauguration day

President Arthur's leaving the White House was as dignified as his conduct in it. Neither of the two Adamses would attend the inaugurations of their successors. John Quincy Adams was out hunting, it is said, at the time Andrew Jackson was inaugurated, and his father, John Adams, packed up his trays the night before Jefferson came in, and galloped away from Washington in a carriage President Arthur gave this royal lunch to President Cleveland, and the dining table was as handsomely arranged as at any of his state dinners. He escorted Miss Rose Cleveland to the table and President Cleveland took in Mrs McElroy on his arm The party remained seated at the table for nearly two hours and after the dinner was over Mr Arthur left the White House and went to stay with Secretary Frelinghuysen

I came across a curious story to-day, in which a man named Clapp claims to have played marbles with Presidents Garfield and Arthur The three men were boys and Clapp was living at Ballston, N Y, when President Arthur's father and President Garfield's uncle came there bringing Chester A Arthur and James A Garfield with them. Clapp says he slept with young Arthur, and that he was having a game of marbles with little Chet in his front door yard the next day when the Rev Mr Garfield drove up He stopped at the gate and lifted out of his wagon a little fellow about 5 years old, saying Here my lads, is my nephew Jimmy Let him play with you while I attend to some business As the story goes, little Jimmy Garfield sat down on a mound and watched the game and then the two boys Arthur and Garfield separated Whether they met again before their nomination as president and vice president I do not know

President Arthur was an Episcopalian He attended St Johns Episcopal church here This is one of the most aristocratic churches of Washington and it has had a dozen or more presidents among its pewholders. I imagine Arthur favored it because it was the church his wife attended in her girlhood. He sat in the pew she used to occupy and he gave the church a memorial window in her honor

Speaking of President Arthur's Florida trip the following incident described in The Washington Critic is said to have occurred during one of the president's Sundays there While in the quaint old town of St. Augustine, the President and Secretary Chandler arranged to attend service at the colored church When the deacons of the church became aware that such distinguished people were to be present, the front row of seats was reserved for them, to which they were escorted with due form and ceremony The minister threw all of his available muscular eloquence and earnestness into the prayer with which he opened the service, and then arose and announced that "de congregashun will jine in singin' de gud old hymn, 'Bring forth dat ryal diadem'" The congregation arose, led by the president's party, and the gray topped preacher, after nervously adjusting his spectacles, repeated from the hymn book in a clear voice

Bring forth that royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all.

Each couplet was repeated by the divine and then sung by the congregation until the entire hymn had been completed, and those who were present declared that President Arthur's voice was heard above all the congregation, ringing out the inspiring words of "de gud ole hymn."

President Arthur leaves two children, a son and a daughter The boy has been attending school at Princeton, and he is said to be a very bright young man. His name is Chester Alan Arthur, and he was supposed to be engaged to one of the most accomplished society girls in Washington during his father's presidency For some reason or other this engagement was dropped, and we now hear no more of it. Nellie Arthur, the president's daughter is a bright eyed brunette, not far along in her teens She acted as her father's hostess a number of times while he was president, and she did the honors of the White House very well. She was a thorough girl at the same time, and she delighted in romping about the White House grounds. She had a little playhouse built not far from the executive mansion, and this was furnished as a miniature parlor It had little lace curtains, fancy little tables and chairs, a beautiful doll baby and a crib for the doll. It was the wonder of the children of Washington, and the proud possession of the president's daughter

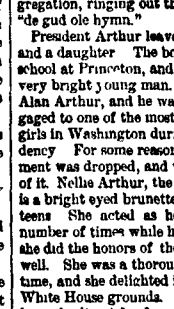
President Arthur was not as tall a man as his pictures indicate He was of only medium height, and I think as a rule the pictures of Cleveland represent him as much taller than he is. President Cleveland is certainly not over five feet eight inches and no doubt whether he is more than five feet seven. Arthur had a good face, a rotund form, and he always dressed in clothes of the best material and the latest cut During his term fabulous stories were told about his wardrobe, and that he was not without vanity is shown in the fact that he had a great many photographs made of himself dressed in a heavy overcoat There is an oil painting in the White House of President Arthur in his overcoat, and the lithographers who made the lithographs which were scattered over the country at the time he was nominated for vice-president says that he had a great deal of trouble in getting a picture of Arthur which would suit him Like most great men he had his weaknesses, and one personal vanity was one of them. In this, however, he has many associates in the person of Presidential gallery Washington was vain, so was Adams had a big bump of vanity, and Martin Van Buren always looked as though he had jumped from a bandbox James Buchanan was very particular about his clothes and Gen Harrison was fond of comparing himself to the Roman emperors. Taken presidents, all in all, Arthur sizes up well among them. It is true his administration was rather negatively than positively good He did well in doing nothing, and in his conservatism he tided the country over one of the most dangerous periods of its history FRANK G CARPENTER

"CHRIST BEFORE PILATE"

Munkacsy's Big Painting Now in New York City

[Special Correspondence]

NEW YORK Nov 29 —Munkacsy's painting, entitled 'Christ Before Pilate' now in New York, and if all the world aware of it, it certainly isn't the fault of Munkacsy or of the enterprising manager of the picture Munkacsy himself is here too, and he has already learned some of the phrases of welcome, and calls 'The United States langer Munkacsy is a millionaire, and his success is a good example of what perseverance, backed up by talent will do for a poor man His parents died when he was a young—his father in prison, and of a family of seven children his father in prison —and the boy thrown on his own resources very early in life. He first showed his talent as a picture maker in decorating some chests in the cabinet shop where he was an apprentice. Some one saw that he was born an artist, and helped him to study His success was entitled "The Last Day of Condemned to Death" It was exhibited in the Paris salon of 1870 His greatest picture in the opinion of many, is "Milton and His Daughters



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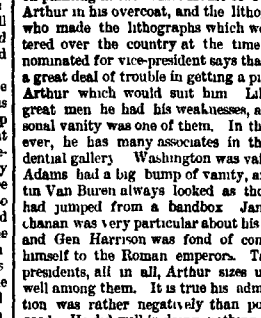

HEAD OF THE CHRIST

There are many opinions regarding "Christ Before Pilate. It is with the figure of the Christ more than the picture as a whole that fault is found by the critics They say it is a picture of ordinary man and not possessed of the divine attributes that should be characteristics.

The clergy of this city and Brooklyn speak well of the picture the other day, and many of it Dr Talmage says "worth a thousand sermons. He thinks the figure and face of Pilate

The picture is 20 feet long by 12 feet high and contains two scores of figures and is entirely out of the question The outline cuts here given are of the two principal characters and will give the reader a fair idea of the way Munkacsy was handled "the Man Jesus" and Pilate the judge.

PILATE

The picture as shown in the building that Salmi Morse had fitted for the production of his "Passion Play" never played. M. J. L.

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SOME INDOOR VIEWS

AT WASHINGTON OBTAINED BY THE INSTANTANEOUS METHOD

Trying to Get Audience with the President's Private Secretary—Col Lamont's Swell Usher—Interesting Sights Seen by Artistic Eyes.

[Special Correspondence]

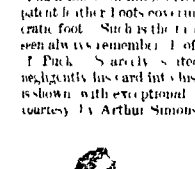
WASHINGTON Nov 15—'Want to see the colonel? He is engaged and very busy don't think he can see you this morning Very well just give him this card and he will" The result dialogue took place in one of the waiting rooms at the White House a few days ago between a slight, unobtrusive, rather timid looking gentleman and a portly well fed more rightly stated overfed—and somewhat overbearing negro, Arthur Simons, usher to Col Lamont

Compelled to submit to another careful scrutiny from top to toe the applicant for audience is ushered into the second room built to the east of the executive mansion facing the front portal

AWAITING AUDIENCE

—the hall of opening the building to public the ante chamber is usually more than full of people waiting to lay their wants and wishes before the great private secretary with perhaps a long list of persons ultimately admitted to the presidents The electric bell sounds with a sharp and white All passers directed to right hand swinging door Through the wall aperture the clumsy finger of the faithful usher unceremoniously beckons, and a well dressed gentleman, whose appearance pronounces him a man of high social standing jumps from his seat with the agility of a young steer and bows, as if grateful to the negro is admitted to the floor of the W S

Who is this just coming up the low steps leading from the hall into the waiting room? Head erect looking about with the confidence of a man well known, his own with the corners of his mouth slightly turned up somewhat defiantly the shiny piercing eyes shine with a sort of humorous twinkle from underneath a well shaped forehead fearlessly into the world On entering the room he carelessly pushes back his black unruly hair, already somewhat streaked with gray A finely proportioned manly figure, dressed as usual not yet without any of that business manner that he did in the patent leather boots covering a rather aristocratic foot Such is the man whom you seen always remember I of Joseph Keppler of Puck Scarcely seated and hopping negligently his card into his high silk hat, he is shown with exceptional promptitude and courtesy by Arthur Simons to the library



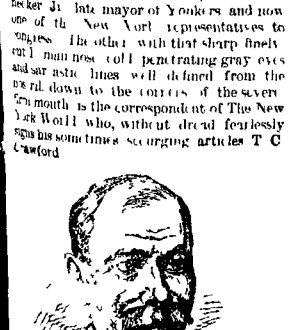
KEPPLER IS SHOWN IN

seat to the president for his private office Puck is well known at the White House and was a personal friend of the president He sent out and the water color box under his arm in spot that he is here on business Y the humorist of the tattooed man is a perfect power and has to be handled with kid gloves

If the colonel can't see me this morning I will wait no longer Did you hand him my card?

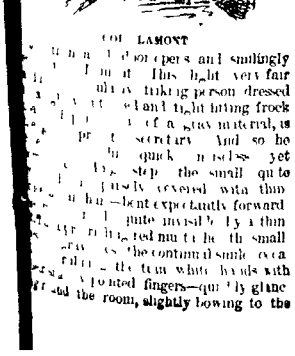
I think so what was your name Puck

Very well walk right into the colonel's office and take a seat He will be there directly'



T C CRAWFORD AND W STAHLNECKER, JR

Here once ushers and chairs placed against the walls are sitting several people waiting—most of them are acquaintances of the colonel enjoying the privilege of free entrance at all times Two of them I recognized at once sitting together deeply engaged in conversation the one a tall handsome man of dark complexion, jet black hair mustache and well trimmed side whiskers, is W Stahlnecker Jr late mayor of Yonkers and now one of the New York representatives to congress The other with that sharp finely cut nose cold penetrating gray eyes and sarcastic lines well defined from the corners of the nostrils down to the corners of the sevenmouth is the correspondent of The New York World who, without dread fearlessly signs his sometimes scourging articles T C Crawford

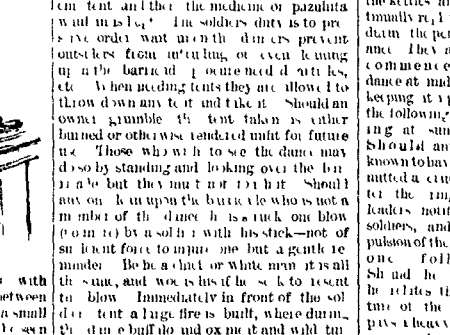


COL LAMONT

[illegible] keepers and smilingly [illegible] Puck His light very fair [illegible] striking person dressed [illegible] and tight fitting frock [illegible] of a gray material, is [illegible] secretary And so he [illegible] quick noiseless yet [illegible] step the small quick [illegible] closely covered with thin [illegible] hair—bent expectantly forward [illegible] quite inside by a thin [illegible] red nut to the small [illegible] as the continual smile overcame [illegible] the firm white hands with [illegible] pointed fingers—quickly glanced around the room, slightly bowing to the right and left in recognizing familiar faces. What a capital listener and what a guarded and careful speaker is this all powerful secretary

It was just a glimpse I obtained, but quite long enough for an instantaneous exposure in taking a picture of Grover Cleveland at his desk The library is an elliptic shaped room in the second story above and of the same dimensions as the library room it is not only the most pleasantly situated apartment but bears in contrast to the others a look of comfort all grotesque although its decorations furniture and fixtures are, with the exception of a really magnificent chandelier, by no means befitting its size and character This is indeed a fine room and the view from its windows charming the massive pillars supporting the roof of the veranda in front of them forming a frame for this beautiful picture of in the distance the Washington Monument the broad sun shining stream of the Potomac and in the middle distance and seemingly rising out of its waters that unique and grand structure, the Washington Monument Designed in the Egyptian style, it looks the beautifully tall pink sandstone being the eccentric mansion facing the foreground

In selection of this room for his office he was well for the good taste of the president and here I find a massive elegant roll desk in solid mahogany and bottomed chair of bent wood, busily engaged in the careful study of documents awaiting his or approving signature or receiving cabinet ministers senators representatives and other high officials civil and military the president of the United States passes the greater part of the day Reaching down just as the instrument might him, perusing a letter held in his left hand through numerous tor-



THE PRESIDENT AT HIS DESK

tous feet from the chief executive's eyes with [illegible] down the sides of his nostrils between [illegible] a fragrant Havana five cent small [illegible] holder several of which are to be seen upon the huge oak coat before him Apropos of lighting the cigar holder on to the left of the president is the open cover of the stenographer's machine a number of autographed photos of all sizes and coverings, awaiting the signature of Joseph Keppler

JULIUS HEATON

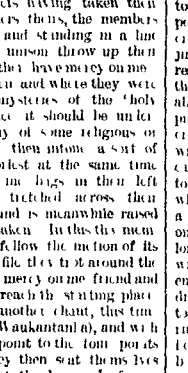
AMOS J CUMMINGS

One of New York Journalist Who Has been Made a Congressman

[Special Correspondence]

NEW YORK Nov 5—Amos J Cummings one of the few hard working newspaper men of this city who have become known outside of the office where they work The system of not permitting writers to sign their names to articles which prevails here, gives but small chance for acquiring fame Mr Cummings has been elected to represent the Sixth district in congress As a boy he worked in that district, graduated from it a journeyman printer and there enlisted as a volunteer in 1862 and for over a quarter of a century has lived there

He was born in Conkling Broome county, in 1842 His father and grandfather were clergymen In addition to his ministerial duties his father edited and published the only paper in Irvington, The Christian Messenger and Herald Amos entered his father's printing office when 7 years old as a compositor and has worked at the case in nearly every state in the Union He left a situation as compositor on the Tribune to go to the front with the Twenty sixth New Jersey volunteers, and fought in the battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville and distinguished himself at the charge of St Mary's heights by saving a cannon at the imminent risk of his life He was mentioned for gallantry in the official report of Col Martindale He returned from the war with the rank of sergeant major and went to work at the case in the Tribune office, afterward becoming night editor and city editor of that paper



AMOS J CUMMINGS

He left The Tribune to fill a more remunerative position on The Sun where he has since remained as one of the prominent editors in the editorial force He is a careful writer an accurate observer, a ready and forcible talker and a pleasing talker He has also a sarcastic vein too and takes up the violin guitar and banjo with the touch of a master and knows how to get the best out of them

Mr Cummings was with Walker at Nicaragua and was one of those captured by Commodore Davis of the Quaker City He is now president of the New York Press club, and is greatly very much liked by those who know him In his speech accepting the nomination he said Workingmen will have to go to find my vote on questions which the government rested Capital however has its rights as well as labor and neither should be jeopardized by hasty legislation Mr Cummings is a fine looking man of easy and dignified address who will ably represent his constituents

One of the interesting incidents in Mr Cummings's career is his participation in the defense of The Tribune of this city in the draft riots He came here on his return from the war, and on the day of the 13th of July 1863 he went down to The Tribune building to see some of his old friends His brother Charles also a returned soldier was with him They found the building surrounded by angry men and the employes in abject terror Amos was invited to take a substitute for one of the compositors who was too scared to stay He accepted $10 for the night's work and his brother Charles "subbed" for another compositor for $30 Only four men stayed at their cases They were Amos and Charles and Sylvester Pailey and Peter Hulst The crowd outside constantly increased in proportions and became turbulent Finally the infuriated rioters sacked the office and set fire to the furniture Amos and his colleagues barricaded the composing room door with "turtles" or curved forms, and resolved to fight Amos had a revolver and the others armed themselves with such as they could find Captain Thorne and with a squad of police just in time to rescue the besieged Tribune force and cleared the square by taking a few lead The Tribune office was fired with kindshells but no further demonstration was made.

M E

DANCES OF THE DAKOTAHS

SOMETHING ABOUT AN INDIAN NATION'S SINGULAR CEREMONIES

The Medicine Men and Their Weird Incantations—Torture that is Terrible and Self Inflicted—Meaning of the Dances

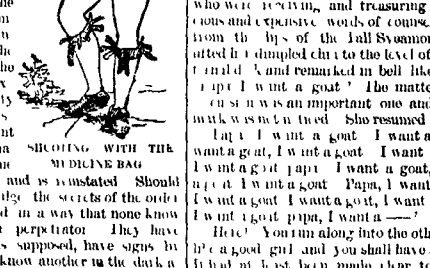
[Special Correspondence]

FORT LOTTEN DEVIL'S LAKE AGENCY D T Nov 27—The Indians of the Sioux Dakotah nation are supposed to number about 30,000 They are scattered over an immense territory extending from the Mississippi river on the east to the Black hills on the north west and from the mouth of the Big Sioux river on the south to Devil's lake Hurley river territory on the north

During my acquaintance with the Dakotahs I have learned something about their dances and the significance they bear The study has been an interesting one to me and I have here set down a few memoranda of two of the most important They are really weighty ceremonies in tribal life

THE MEDICINE DANCE

The medicine dance is a religious ceremony among the Dakotahs After selecting a suitable spot on a smooth piece of ground notched sticks about three feet long are driven a little way into the ground at intervals of about ten feet forming an elliptical inclosure Upon these sticks tiny saplings or rods over which canvas cloths are thrown A perfect circle of the inclosure is not laid Only a segment is covered by the chief medicine men or high priests who are always chiefs of the tribe and the other by the soldiers The meetings of the council are held in the medicine tent and then the medicine or pazuhuta wanmi is held The soldiers duty is to preserve order want among the dancers prevent outsiders from intruding or even leaning up against the barricade formed by the sticks, etc When needing tents they are allowed to throw down any tent and take it Should an owner grumble the tent taken is either burned or otherwise rendered unfit for future use Those who wish to see the dance may do so by standing and looking over the barricade but they must not go in it Should any one jump over the barricade who is not a member of the dance he is struck one blow (not to be a soldier with his stick—not of sufficient force to injure one but a gentle reminder Be he a chief or white man it is all the same, and woe to his if he seek to resent the blow Immediately in front of the soldiers' tent a large fire is built, where dinner, the dog or buffalo and ox meat and wild turnips are cooked Should a dog come into the ring during the ceremonies the poor brute is immediately killed, the body painted yellow and allowed to remain in that state to appease the Deity



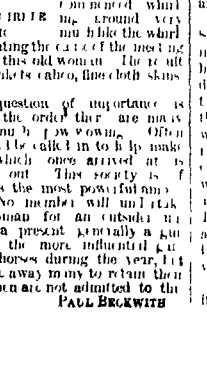
SHOOTING WITH THE MEDICINE BAG

The cutting and distributing forms the principal attraction to the members, and the kettles are continually replenished during the performance They always commence the dance at midnight keeping it up until the following evening at sundown Should any one known to have committed a crime enter the ring, the leaders notify the soldiers, and expulsion of the guilty one follows Should he point he refutes the charge at the time of the ceremonies he leaves the ring and is ostracised Should any member divulge the secrets of the order his life is forfeited in a way that none know the instigator or perpetrator They have secrets, and it is supposed, have signs by which one may know another in the dark as well as in the day During the initiation and at an instant day break something is whispered to the candidate

CIRCLING CROW DANCE

The Pagumbuna kiwacipi, or the circling crow dance, is called by the Americans straw or grass dance Only members of the order participate in this dance, and its ceremonies are secret It is controlled by three men selected at the starting of the lodge from among the more influential members of the tribe who at death or upon resigning them off select their own successors The regalia belonging to the three by virtue of their office is peculiar, consisting of a kind of tunic falling from the waist down behind, attached to a broad band around the waist and composed entirely of feathers of the eagle and crow, with beadwork porcupine quills and jingling bells Exactly in the center and resting in the hollow of the back (fastened to the belt) projects a slender piece of wood about eight inches long, wrapped with porcupine quills, to the end of which eagle and crow feathers and small bells are attached with long strings—every motion of the wearer causing the sticks to vibrate and the bells to jingle This is an emblem of rank, and when invested with it one usually gives away a horse There are four drummers Each one is provided with a stick about three feet long, one end notched and wrapped around with quills and beads, the other end sharp and These are stuck in the ground, and drums with corresponding loops are hung on to them The dancers seat themselves in a ring on the ground, wrapped in their blankets the drummers on one side chanting and beating their drums At a signal all jump up and, throwing their arms aloft chant with uncouth gestures and an occasional whoop dance for a few moments when all but one seat themselves This one, standing in the ring keeps on with gestures wildly waving his tomahawk Of a sudden he will seat himself, and in a low monotonous chant recites the exploits of war and chase after which all will jump up dance and yell and the same performances again go through with This is kept up for several days at a time, or until all the provisions have been exhausted During this dance if any member wishes a divorce from his wife he gets up and proclaims the wish and dog or his wife or that he has been deputized by some one not a member (naming him) to say that he has thrown away his wife An outsider by payment can depute a member to do this In this own eyes this makes him a brave man and big chief

The dance is arranged for in this way A steward is appointed to collect provisions and horses dare not refuse him After collecting sufficient to last several days he notifies the leaders They call in the lodge and form arrangements for the dance and then the village circuit round and proclaims that a dance will take place about such a time If any guest are to be decided the head men discuss it first which it is put to a vote Otherwise it goes to each member present and asks him for his decision The result showing whether the question is carried or lost Then the war lodge outsiders are allowed to enter and the dance begins An old woman named Ith leader of the straw dance to dance



CHIEF WITH CIRCLE AND TUNIC

in her upper covering everything she had for that purpose and being in poverty Immediately on the order around the camp and in a few hours all the men, women are present as they will have any work or pleasure they may have to attend the dances After consulting in secret all were invited in The leader then commenced whirling around very much like the whirling dervishes stating the object of the meeting to all and last this old woman The result was three blankets calico, fine cloth skins flour and pork

When any question of importance is brought before the order there are many councils held now and then Often another lodge will be called in to help make the decision which once arrived at is always carried out This society is to date the most powerful among the Indians No member will undertake to be a spokesman for an outsider unless bribed by a present generally a gun or a horse the more influential ones from 40 to 100 horses during the year, but it will have to give away many to retain their influence Women are not admitted to the order

PAUL BECKWITH

CANDIDATE

Spirit will have mercy on him if not the Great Spirit will be angry and expulsion from the order will follow After this the candidate receives the holy claw or a stone

The Value of Legal Advice.

The firm of lawyers from which President Cleveland got that $10 his present bush of hair still maintains its organization and standing in the profession The gentleman who subscribed to the president's place in the firm is known as the Tall Sycamore best known as a good lawyer and a late politician he is also the father of the prettiest of the Cleveland children little lasses The little lass has reached the mature age of 3 years Sometimes she comes to the historical corner in the Weed block to pay her respects to the members of the firm and incidentally to bring a bit of sunshine into the ordinary gloom of professional work On one occasion when the Tall Sycamore's little girl was at the office her father was busy with a number of gentlemen The little lass wandered into the senior's office and entered into conversation with that gentleman

After the manner of lawyers he managed to get into the audience and after the manner of lawyers she poured into the protoplasmic ear the narrative of her woes and being a thoughtful sort of her learned friend Lawyer Cleveland's was this She want I suppose had made several motions that did not suit the particular court, but on one particular occasion the hearings had been long and she opened to an extent which made her doubtful of ever securing a final decision in the matter

Having accepted a kiss as a retainer in the case the president's former partner proceeded to advise his fair client His legal intellect grasped the situation at once His experienced and quick wording mind immediately seized upon the remedy The thing for you to do said he, is this Go right into your papa's office and no matter who is there, tell him you want a goat If you only tell him on each day not be any so you had better [illegible] several times Yes, you had better repeat it, him until you are sure he understands you

The little woman opened her big, blue eyes in admiration of her lawyers ability and immediately proceeded to act on his advice She marched soberly into her father's office, went to her mission So absorbed was she in her purpose that she paid no attention to the seven or eight prominent railroad men who were present, and treasuring the precious and expensive words of counsel falling from the lips of the Tall Sycamore She sidled her dimpled chin to the level of the papa's and remarked in bell like tones, papa I want a goat' The matter under consideration was an important one and her remark was not noticed She resumed

Papa I want a goat I want a goat, I want a goat, I want a goat I want a goat, I want a goat papa I want a goat, I want a goat I want a goat Papa, I want a goat I want a goat I want a goat, I want a goat I want a goat papa, I want a ——'

Here! You run along into the other room like a good girl and you shall have a goat,' for had at least been made clear to the papa mind that something was wanted and wanted badly

The little maid returned to her adviser's office and told him of the success of the mission You know how to get goats, she remarked approvingly, and rewarded the lawyer in a coin which does not usually pass current in law offices —Buffalo Express.

About to be Enlightened

Knock me down with a—feather! How'd the subject get up here I was a mushroom when —Harper's Weekly

A Disappointed Female Righter

On the last day of registration a woman, armed with a home handicraft, unbelievably walked into the fourth precinct of the Second ward and asked

Is this where the men register

Yes men and the women too was the courteous reply

Then I am registered without any fuss

Yes m

I didn't know as they lowed it she exclaimed but I was determined to Well I left home I had my mind made up that I'd either register or—

Just now interrupted the clerk You needn't even give your age

I needn't Well anthum' wonderful must have happened all at once I guess you men have found out that us women are of some account after all I expected I'd have to grin and bear around, and perhaps use a weapon and I'm clean disappointed

Yes We won't keep you longer waiting, ma'am

Well I figger, but my old man won't believe it and I'll hardly dare say it myself I expected you'd refuse and I'd have to jaw and—

Good day madam

She went out grandingly, and she stood in front of the building for three or four minutes like in a trance Then and when she timidly moseyed off she was saying to herself

Well men's rights I'm will come in when I try to vote Mebbe they'll get a prize fighter to challenge me Detroit Free Press

Odorous

The Rev James D— a well known Methodist minister still living in the state of Massachusetts has all his life had what all his friends regarded as fanatical ideas regarding the observance of the Sabbath He is very careful that no work of a domestic nature is done on that day in his house No meals are cooked no sweeping or dusting is done, and the day is one of solemnity and penitentiation combined with church and Sunday school duties

On one occasion the Rev Mr D spent Sunday with his own family His daughter in law a very pious woman concluded in honor of the guest to forego her usual cold dinner Sunday and just before starting to church slipped a fine fat turkey into the oven to cook slowly while she was gone On returning in order of burning the food in the house and smoke was seen coming from the oven Why laughter, will the 4th Rev James D— exclaimed the indignant old gentleman as he struck and kicked the door open Absolutely Shocking! Such a thing never before in all my life Hanging a turkey in the oven on the Sabbath day! Such a gentleman's immediate reply, I couldn't smell the cooking, please, if it's going to smell like that"—Detroit Free Press

LIGHT AND AIRY.

Why She is Vexed.

Why does the beauteous maiden seem
So worried and so vexed?
She spent round out the tale will be
Continued in our next
—Merchant Traveler

A Dangerous Spot.

Husband—I hear that young Sampson who went west last summer has been shot
Wife—Was he shot in a bad place?
Husband—Yes he was shot in Chicago.—New York Sun

The New Form.

She waited into the crowded car,
He gave his seat to her,
She took it smiled and said 'I'm much
Beholden to you sir
—Boston Courier,

A Seasonable Request.

"Here, waiter,' what kind of water is this?' said a guest at a country hotel down south

Dat spring water, sah," replied the waiter politely

Oh, is it' Well bring me some winter water This is warm enough to wash a shirt in —Washington Hatchet

The Small Boy and the Ice.

Soon Mr Frost will enter with fee
The rivers and pond at our own and nice,
And so will the folks who are present will see
A hole in the ice where the boy used to be
Merchant Traveler

A Logical Request.

Mr Bluffers (to his daughter)—Eliza, did you read this article about Liszt? Eliza (at the piano)—Yes, pa Mr Bluffers—Did you notice that he said people must play the piano with their souls? Eliza—Yes, pa. Mr Bluffers—Well, Eliza just put your hands in your pocket and play with your soul till I'm through reading —Omaha World.

In the Wrong Crowd.

Among the prohibitionists
He never will feel at home,
Who from a glass of water
Attempts to blow the foam
—Boston Courier

Too Long to Wait.

Young Tom Aujetty asked his tailor the other day when he would send him the suit of winter clothes that he had ordered

"When you have paid me for your last spring's suit," replied the tailor

"Oh, bother!" said Tom impatiently, "do you suppose I can wait forever for my winter clothes?'—Texas Siftings

The Turkey.

Our goddess of birds is the turkey,
As the bald headed eagle is king,
And now, when the weather grows murky,
With politics out of the fling
Other gods we may look at and long for,
While our hearts are with thankfulness puffed;
But the bird of our hearts is all ready
And waitin, poor dear, to get stuffed.
—New York Journal

Why He Fled.

Tramp—Please, mum, don't shut the door; I'm utterly destitute

Lady of the House (kindly)—What do you want?

Tramp—Anything you please to give, mum I leave it to your generosity

Lady (sweetly)—Come in, and I'll tell the stable boy to give you a bath —Philadelphia Call

Whole Hog or None.

If you are bound to steal,
Then steal big
Don't smuggle off a ham,
Steal the pig
—Dansville Breeze.

A Necessary Interlude.

Tired Auditor—See here, Mr Manager, do you know that act curtain has been down over half an hour?

Manager—Yes, yes, I know, but what can I do? The performance can't go on without the star actress you know

'Well what's the matter with her?"

'She's busy giving her pug dog a bath."
—Omaha World

Rita.

There once was a maiden named Rita;
I know of no other that's swifta,
A glance at her eyes
Is the thing I most prefer,
And—by Jove it won't go to this mita.
—Life

Thought is Deeper Than all Speech.

Miss Ethel Yes indeed, we girls are fully alive to the justice of popular criticism on chattering women, and that is why we organized our Thought Club

Mr Blank Thought Club?

'Yes, and it is doing us such a world of good

"I don't doubt it'

'No, indeed Why, at the last meeting we talked for five whole hours on the advantages of silent meditation

What They Say.

The wind waves are saying sweet Ethel,
Just now in the fall of the year,
When the summer hotels are deserted,
And nature is uncommonly queer,
That the landlord is racking his thinker,
And really betraying to tell
If the cold wont use a serpent racket
Can be worked at another hotel!
—Tid Bits.

The Landlady's Retort.

'These biscuit said the professor, "are like the Statue of Liberty at night. They would give better satisfaction if they were lighter'

Yes said the third floor back, "and this piece of chicken reminds me of a great hero —Bonaparte

'But neither of your board bills is like the Balkan troubles said the landlady

"Why so? asked the professor and third floor back

'Because the Balkan troubles will probably be settled —New York Sun

Her Challenge

The maiden sat so near my arm
Around it I would throw it
And then up I'm coming any harm
I rose there's who knew it.

She threw an angry glance at me,
Her fingers wried and then
She frowned and said, I'd like to see
You just try that again

Why certainly sweet maid I said
I don't call it be blamed'
This time she blushe I and said,
You ought to be ashamed!
—Boston Courier.

Warning to Smokers

A member of the Texas legislature engaged the services of a colored man named Jake It was not long before the legislator had occasion to remark

Jake it's very singular that I miss so many of my cigars'

Kaise you reckon dats dat I tole yer when yer fust hired me dat I smoked, and you said dat I mustn't smoke in de house?"

'But great Cæsar! you didn't suppose I gave you permission to smoke up my cigars?"

Whose cigars did you reckon I'd smoke! Didn't spose I'd yer, dat I ask permishun for smoke my own cigars' —Texas Siftings.

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One of the most disgraceful acts which could possibly befall any organization which lays any claim at all to respectability, was perpetrated by a gang of toughs on a defenseless reporter, in Cleveland, Sunday afternoon A meeting, a public meeting, too, by the way was advertised to take place, and the reporter, acting in a professional capacity, repaired to their hall to report the proceedings to his paper At the hall he was treated outrageously, even barbarously, by those who claim to be members of the Knights of Labor organization The reporter had as great a right to a seat in the hall as the speaker himself, and the speaker and members who were present, in countenancing the act of their brother ruffians, cast a dark stain of disgrace upon the order It is such men as these, whose sole ambition is to plunder and feast upon the earnings of their neighbors, that seek to raise up a new body, a body that seeks to exterminate every principle of Americanism and to swallow up in its greed every particle of American vitality This meeting was called for the purpose of befriending the condemned anarchists at Chicago, which fact in itself is sufficient evidence that the cause and their proceedings were in strict accordance with anarchistic principles

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Partisan papers are taking sides on the manner in which President Cleveland intends to beautify some of the boulevards of the Capitol While invectives are showered upon him by the republican organs, the democratic newspapers as vindictively indorse his course The entire question centers upon this one point, is it the President's object to beautify these thoroughfares for the convemence of the public and with the ulterior object of making the Capitol of this country worthy the name? If such be the case, no fair minded and patriotic citizen will gain, say the course which he is at present pursuing, but if his aim and object in expending $2,000,000 of money be for the sole purpose of making a pecuniary gain, then most surely the act would be reprehensible Party organs lay too much stress upon every act the Chief Executive of the land does It has a tendency to make the country feel unsafe, while, if they would pursue a more lenient course more confidence would pervade the minds of the masses.

A short railroad item, taken from the Columbus Journal is given in our railroad news today, which says Col Boone's Black Diamond is to built from Zanesville to Galion and a branch from Fredericktown to Marion The article states that the contract of building is made and it must be completed within one year We are not thrown into hilarity over the prospects however If the item contains the truth we are more convinced of Col Boone's poor judgment in railroad matters than ever The idea of building a branch from Fredericktown to Marion when the proposed main line connects with the Pike at Galion, only twenty miles east, is one of the most inconsistent plans of successful and business-like railroading we have ever heard of Verily, Col Boone is a great schemer, if the news is true

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One of the first questions that will come up in the United States Senate when Congress meets will be upon the resolution offered by Senator Platt of Connecticut, at the last session, abolishing executive or secret sessions The State Journal expresses the hope that the press and people will speak out vigorously and unitedly in favor of the reform contemplated by Mr Platt's resolution The Journal further remarks that "not one valid argument for the secret session has ever been advanced which does not violate the principles of the Constitution, is repugnant to the very idea of free government, deprives the people of knowledge which it is both their right and their interest to have, is a source of corrupt bargaining, trading and log rolling, and tends to bring distrust and suspicion upon the Senate itself"

The Evangelical Alliance of St Louis has passed strong resolutions against the wicked ballet which is an attractive feature of the American Opera Co which is playing there this week Therein is the difference between St Louis and Cincinnati While the American Opera Co was at the latter city last week everybody went into ecstasies over the beauty unadorned but the St Louis divines warn their people against Terpsichore's pretty leg saying it is a spectacular representation of sensuality that is manifestly immoral

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The press of Ohio is largely interested in an effort to have Ohio's election laws so changed that there will be but one battle of the ballots each year There is certainly nothing against having interior municipal elections held at the time of the state election and there are arguments for the change The expense of elections would be largely reduced and officers would acquire their new positions in a better time of year Besides under the present plan the strife of one contest is barely over until work has begun on the new

It will be a happy day for Ohio when the spring election is abolished and the legislature can be convened peacefully to frame the laws which are absolutely necessary for the interests of the state without being interfered with by issues that have no connection with legislation But there is a unanimous desire to abolish one of our semi annuals as an evil to be remedied

There is however one evil word to be said for the old system now partially done away and so into the trash it had its origin in a wish to legislate purely local matter in matters of general importance The framers of our constitution should not jumble the two together was an excellent one no doubt but it is also one of the best to keep strife and politics out of the legislature which has had another success as much can not be said of its success As much can not be said as could ever be expected from the old system of elections could be attained by having the Congress and state elections held in November the even years, and all other elections in November of the odd years

As the constitution must be amended in order to abolish the spring election the present is an excellent time for making such a change as will banish or diminish the number of elections and divert natural matter of interest to the people from matters of interest to politicians

—Cincinnati Post

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[illegible] cent [illegible] men [illegible] manufacturer [illegible] the Sultan [illegible] general importance [illegible] citizens should not jumble the [illegible] together was an excellent one no doubt but it is also one of the best to keep strife and politics out of the legislature which has had another success as much can not be said of its success As much can not be said as could ever be expected from the old system of elections could be attained by having the Congress and state elections held in November the even years, and all other elections in November of the odd years

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PULMAN'S A SUCCESS.

WALTER WELLMAN DISPOSES OF CERTAIN CARPING CRITICS

He Shows to at the Only Trouble With the Theory of the Place Has Been the Lack of Home Owning Which is Now Overcome

[Special Correspondence]

Chicago [illegible] As a social experiment it [illegible] has been closely watched by many observers and philosophers both in this country and Europe More important than the Sub Titus Solis Saltaire in England or Pullman's Social Palace [illegible] more practical than any of them and more pregnant of farms whose permanent [illegible] the attention of sociologists in the United States has been well worthy [illegible]

What was it that the founder of this city hoped to accomplish Commercially, he desired to build a town in which his factory could find convenient location and where his employes might dwell together as his tenants with profitable rentals coming to himself Humanitarian by constructing a town in the humanity by constructing a town in which the average of health morality and happiness generally of its inhabitants could be supposed to be [illegible] higher level than that reached by a much larger [illegible] mass of laborers [illegible] among communities of laborers [illegible]

That Pullman has succeeded in the first of his objects there is no gainsaying His city is immensely profitable He built a complete town at one operation and at one stroke and what city ever grew out of cheap pranks Pullman has built on the values thus created returning a handsome per cent [illegible] on the total cost The houses and other buildings are all occupied and the rents are all promptly paid Pullman pays say that in many of them but the experiment is a failure He has [illegible] experimented a failure He has not succeeded in making money but he has not succeeded in the humanitarian feature of his enterprise [illegible] may or may not be a just criticism

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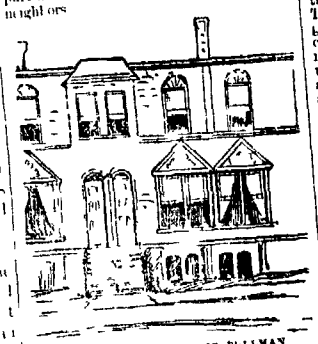
Pullman built a town and the creator of Pullman to himself a nearly perfect as [illegible] working together, and with [illegible] conditions and requirements [illegible] the smallest detail, can make [illegible] Mr Pullman should not grow haphazard One [illegible] to draw the plans for every [illegible] of whatever nature I will [illegible] with the local [illegible] authorities the way of street improvements drainage water supply, public buildings I will build everything myself Moreover I will own everything and rule every thing In fine I will build a beautiful and [illegible] town in every city as other men build a single [illegible] home with everything to promote the happiness and health of the occupants, and [illegible] them to live better lives and [illegible] their children among better surroundings and influences than are [illegible] in neighborhoods and communities where people like my pensioners generally [illegible] I will prove to the world that it is not necessary that workingmen shall live in [illegible] all built houses gloomy, inartistic, badly drained unhealthful with foul yards or none at all with [illegible] with dirty streets in front with an absence of all pretense to architectural beauty or the refinements of artistic surroundings and with the temptations of [illegible] drinking saloons and other resorts dangerously near to every habitation I will prove that a condition of things is possible wherein [illegible] can enjoy such [illegible] as well as the rich may enjoy such good things of this life as peace, orderliness, pure air sunshine cleanliness healthy, good neighbors



FAMOUS COTTAGES IN PULLMAN

That Pullman has done his best to secure for its tenants every one of these grandly [illegible] ultimates must be apparent to all who have studied Pullman town as it stands, and who have read the last night of it which I have said a word to give in the two letters [illegible] on this one If he has failed it is not the fault of his architect who at seems long ago thought of everything not yet the fault of the Pullman company as an employer for it has [illegible] steady employment at good wages [illegible]

Pullman's workers to not carry their lunch in tin pails All go home to their midday meal It is high noon The hoarse whistle [illegible] truce to work in the shops Twenty to hundred men are out of doors [illegible] pretty down street and boulevard to their [illegible] dinner at tables waiting in some [illegible] houses All [illegible] the noon return The [illegible] quarter of an hour saved daily with the half hour in the morning before 7 o'clock, aggregate enough in the week to give the men a whole half holiday The shops are busy with the usual hidden—tidy bright [illegible] The children—have returned to school, and [illegible] have gone [illegible] the clean well paved streets [illegible] Pullman [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

LOCAL NEWS.

Mr James Tribbey has sold his farm near this city to Mr Hummel, of Perry township, for the sum of $4,000. Possession will be given March 1st, 1887.

David Klick, of Mansfield was in the city Monday on business.

—C. K. Spars of Upper Sandusky was in the city visiting friends.

—Judge Norris went to Upper Sandusky Monday morning to hold court.

—Mr Chas Lederman returned from his extensive business trip Saturday.

A. L. Martin was up to Bucyrus Sunday and returned via Galion.

Miss Nettie Diehl is visiting with Mr George Paddock in Delaware.

Mrs. Walter James of Los Angeles, Cal., is visiting Miss Laura Hurlbut.

W. G. Macfarland went to Cincinnati Sunday night to attend the Grand Army encampment.

—Burt Simpson was up from Mansfield over Sunday spending the day with his friends.

—Miss Susie Moore returned to her home in the northern part of the State Saturday morning.

—Probate court will convene on next Monday. Quite a number of criminal cases are on the docket.

—The season has arrived when the bona fide tourist bunks at the city prison. It's a gay life, boys, now all hollow.

—Police court seems exceptionally dull for this time of the year. No cases of any note have been tried for some time.

—H. Clay Sharpless has sold his summer home on east Center street to Commissioner-elect Isaac Metcalf, for the round sum of $5000.

—P. C. Sells, Prospect's leading merchant and one of her most excellent gentlemen, was in the city shaking hands with friends Monday.

—John Frash, of Huntington Intt, was in the city Sunday, having stopped off while on his way East to buy goods for one of several business houses that he owns.

—Alf Mason, in east Marion had eleven chickens stolen from the roost Saturday night. Alf wants them returned or he'll try a new remedy for enough recognition.

- Ezra Columbus has sold his store and residence, near the N. Y. P. and O. depot, to George Field, effecting the sale through Caledonia's hustling real estate agent, W. S. Winters.

—Miss Jennie Platt came up from Delaware Saturday evening to spend Sunday with the guests of Misses Mary and Emma Bengler, on south West street, and returned Monday morning.

A baby boy arrived in the home of J. G. Miller, the hackman the forepart of last week, and now when Ed collects a fare he charges every man an extra nickel that don't congratulate him.

- It would be well if some of the alleys which do business in the city would bear in mind the fact that crossings are for the convenience of pedestrians. Drivers should be content with the road bed.

-The Bible Institute which is to be held in the different denominations in the city in the German M. E. church Sunday evening and effected plans for co-operation in the future. A most pleasant meeting was held and the work for the ensuing year laid out.

Will Moore walked to Morral Saturday on a hunting expedition and returned with a solitary jack rabbit. No less than fourteen men went into the store to insist on whether the price of game had gone up and also insinuated that Will purchased the spoil he returned with.

-A fight occurred in Zimmerman's saloon Saturday night between a number of drunken people. Several windows were broken by the brawl, and at the appearance of the police none were so highly incensed but what good time could be made in getting out of their way.

—The funeral of Mrs. Jane Whitehead was largely attended Sunday. The funeral took place from the residence of Mrs. Young, Sunday afternoon, Rev. W. D. Matthews officiated. Deceased had been a resident of Marion for some years and her death is lamented by many.

We are told that Mrs. J. P. Hall nee Eva J. Hummer will still preside at the Presbyterian church organ on Sundays notwithstanding her home will be in Columbus. Her rare ability to properly handle the organ makes the fact that she intends to continue to organist a huge boon to all new to the members of that church.

There are a few returning of the old Bag of Tricks that would not go in the workhouse than a civil service. The recent developments in the case of Mrs. Snodgrass are interesting and show that common decency is not yet quite dead. Mrs. Snodgrass is in delicate health at present and the ordeal through which she was compelled to go through in the court room could hardly have failed to have a serious effect upon her. Her physician could hardly have failed to have a serious effect upon her. Her physician could hardly have failed to have a serious effect upon her. Her physician

CUBAN ETIQUETTE.

EFFUSIVE POLITENESS FOUND IN HIGH-TONED SPANISH SOCIETY

Use of Certain Initials on a Letter Envelope—An Effusive Form of Correspondence—Extravagantly Polite Speech—Gallantry on the Street

I received a letter a few days ago from a Cuban. On the upper left hand corner of the outside of the envelope were the initials B L P Now, any one who has studied Spanish knows that B L P or B. L. M, in a letter of extreme politeness and etiquette, are used at the close of a letter, but the use of these initials on the envelope I hardly think is as familiar to the general student of Spanish. This is very usual, both here and in Spain on letters of some ceremony, and it is de rigueur on the envelopes of ceremonious notes, invitations, etc

Ladies writing to gentlemen, or to each other, or gentlemen writing to each other, use B. L. M.—"Beso las manos" (I kiss the hands) Gentlemen writing to ladies use B L P.—"Beso las pies" (I kiss the feet) The compliment, of course, for the hands and feet of the party written to The many expressions of friendship, respect, etc, used at the close of the Spanish letter are not sufficient without the usual B L M. or B L P The following effusive form is much used in writing to a person even of very slight acquaintance "With the sincerest professions of sympathy and friendship from her affectionate servant, who B L P" (kisses her feet), etc To use one set of initials for the other shows a great ignorance of the etiquettes and conveniences of society A Cuban lady of my acquaintance received on her fete day the usual compliment of a visiting card under cover from a gentleman On looking at the envelope she threw up her head with a jerk and remarked that "one could easily see that that man did not know anything, or he never would have put B L M, instead of B L P, on an envelope sent to a lady"

A MATTER OF SPANISH TASTE

I must acknowledge that I could not appreciate the nice difference But after all on reflection, there certainly is some difference between B L M and B L P., and it is only a matter of Spanish taste which is the most agreeable proceeding

This is only one of the very little polite nothings of this very polite people

On being presented to a stranger—if a lady—instead of the usual bow, more or less gracious, of our country, there is a cordial shake of the hand, accompanied by an extravagantly polite speech expressing the very great happiness this meeting has caused, ending with an offer to you from the lady of her house, which is, in other words, an invitation for you to visit her A single man goes through the same style of complimental speech and concludes by telling you that he lives at such a number in such a street, and begs that if you need his services you will call on him

Whether sincere or not, these little polite forms are the flowery adornments of speech, and help to make up the refinements and illusions of life, more or less agreeable, according to the view one takes of them What would be received by an American woman as an impertinence is received by a Cuban with a gracious smile and a "gracias," said in a most pleasant tone of voice, as, for instance, on being helped into her carriage by a man who is a complete stranger to her. If a gentleman is passing on the street when a lady is about to enter her carriage—if no gentleman is with her—he hands her into her carriage This is considered here only what a man who is a gentleman would do under such circumstances Compliments are sometimes paid by gentlemen to ladies on the street, but are considered "bad style"—Cuba Cor New Orleans Times Democrat

Cooking on Board Ship.

My first impression in watching the cooking on board ship was—how many practical lessons might be learned from it by cooks on shore! How often do cooks complain, "there is no doing anything in this pokey kitchen," the pokey kitchen being probably quite four times the size of the galley in which I am standing, in which breakfast, lunch and dinner have to be prepared for over 200 persons The requisite qualities required for success are early rising, an entire absence of fussiness, and, by no means the least important, the power of looking ahead and seeing that each person minds his own business without interfering with another's —Cassell's Magazine

Professor Sanborn.

Professor Sanborn, of the Missouri State Agricultural college, has brought up many a wornout farm and made it pay handsomely He has done that with the college land in Missouri, restoring it from a rugged, worn out farm up to a high state of cultivation and profit, equal to a net income of $1,000 dollars per year, while under the old management, which was similar to that of most other farms in the vicinity, it brought no income The method now pursued is to feed out all the fodder grown, according to a system of ration designed to secure the greatest economy, and to return all the manure made to the soil The farm keeps double the stock it could keep four years ago, and the grain crops are already twice as heavy as the average in the vicinity, and better are expected

Our Corn Crop

The area of corn has increased 20 per cent since 1879 with very little stimulus from exportation, which has been but about 3 per cent of the quantity produced It still occupies more than half of the area in cereals and produces greater value than any other crop except grasses for hay and pasture The increase more than keeps pace with advance in population The increase is more rapid in the west and the crop is most productive and profitable between the parallels of 38° and 40°

Girls of Montana

The broad winning, girls of Montana are a superior class They are free from vices and extravagance and succeed in any business they undertake better than many men They take up tree claims homesteads and preemptions manage ranges herd cattle and sheep, serve as school superintendents and sometimes take a hand in politics —Indiana Farmer

It is alleged that more than 5 000 cheap pianos are worked off in New York and Boston every year at sides of household goods and each one is advertised as belonging to a lady who is obliged to dispose of this magnificent instrument on account of financial difficulties New York Post

The man who has never suffered any affliction is not reliable

Don t Try to Be Funny

Corwin of Ohio, Tom Corwin, as every one called him was a natural wit and his reputation as a humorous speaker was better established than that of any other man in congress or in the country One evening after he had delivered a speech at a political meeting in Ohio which had been highly complimented he seemed dissatisfied with himself and finally said to those around him in his room "I feel in the mood just now to give a few words of advice to you young men, which I hope may influence your future lives Let me say to you, in sober earnestness, don't try to be funny like me You could doubtless make better clowns than I have made of myself, but don't try I shall regret to my dying day that I ever said a funny thing The world will laugh at me, but the world despises the clown at last I can do nothing else When a speech is announced to be made by Tom Corwin, everybody expects a clownish performance, and any thing else would not be tolerated

"I am relegated to the circus ring for the rest of my life Whether I feel serious, sad or happy, it is all the same—it must be a funny speech, and I know it, and I yield to this popular prejudice and clamor, and go on making a fool of myself, and shall continue to do so to the end of my career The man who talks as I do never gets any credit for any solid attainments, he is never looked upon as a statesman, and if he gets any political preferment it is only as a sort of a joke, and not because he is supposed to be a statesman If a man could talk funny when he felt like it, and talk sense at other times, or if it were possible to make people understand that he was only cracking a joke to amuse them, it might do, but that is not the way in which the world is constituted A man must be funny or wise You may rise higher in the long run to be wise This reputation of mine hangs about my neck like the body of death It is the Nemesis which will haunt me to my grave Shun it while you may" These remarks made a great impression upon the young men to whom they were addressed, and when Mr Corwin had concluded, they were as silent as though they had been in attendance upon a funeral —Ben Perley Poore

A Boy's Composition

At a recent meeting of the Old Seminary boys at Indianapolis the following on a time stained sheet of paper was produced and read as a composition of half a century ago, the author being at that time of the tender age of 10 years:

"A Eagle and Lion —A eagle and lion is the King of birds and beasts They is two kines of eagle, the ball eagle and the gole. There was wunce a gole eagle here on a stemebote and I saw it Nat Cox kild a ball eagle at the ford tother day They bill thare nes on the pint of the Alhgane mountains, for John Elder tole me so, out of shinny clubs I wish they was a nes on Noble's hill so we cood git clubs esy Wunce a ball eagle took a boy to its nes in pants, and its papa and mamma ran up thar an foun him knockin the young eagles about with a shinny club and whorain fur joy And that is all about a eagle Now I will tell you about a lion Buffin says a lion kin kill a elfant with his ps, and kin ete anything cept injun ruber wax A lion will ete anybody less his name is dannel I wisht they had cald me dannel, then Ike Key's dog lion cuddent bite me, and that is all about a lion

"CHARLES FITTCHER, Jun '

A Truthful Diplomat

When that model merchant, Abbott Lawrence, was at the height of his mercantile prosperity he was offered the post of ambassador to the English court, an elegant compliment to himself personally and to the honorable and influential class of whom he might almost be said to be the head Before accepting he asked Mr Everett, who had already occupied the post, "whether there was really any foundation in truth for the ancient epigrammatic jest that an ambassador is a person sent to a foreign government to tell lies for his own, adding that if such was the case his mind was made up he had never yet told a lie, and he was not going to begin at the age of 56 " Mr Everett told him he could answer for himself as foreign minister, that he had never said a word or written a line which, as far as his own character or that of the government was concerned he should have been unwilling to see in the newspapers the next day This explanation, the upright merchant replied is moved one of his scruples —Dry Good Chronicle

Everyday Paris

I have seen Paris in the height of its imperial splendor, all gilt and tinsel saw dust and spangles, when the court was debauch and the government was a stock jobber, and fashion was a strife who could live the fastest I have seen it in the dust and ashes of nation I disfor newly come out of the valley of death yet wet with blood and tears and I have seen it a young republic struggling for existence against every kind of enemy exterior and interior and with every change in its fortune it has been the one old seven and sixpence happy go lucky don t care a cent for expenses now you see it and now you don t always ready to see company and just as self led and lively in one lone chicken feather in an ostrich plume, singing, laughing, dancing cheating and counterfeiting cajoling and flattering lending and spending swearing fighting cruising, and in short enjoying itself not so much perhaps as it has been but not a whit diminished in the wondrous shine and flow of its animal spirit It reveres nobody and venerates nothing —Henry Watterson

A Prediction Made by Lafayette

While Lafayette was leading his army through Virginia during the revolutionary war, he predicted that the university at Charlottesville would at some time become the pride of America He was certainly of this by the appearance of the grounds and the large amount of fruit they produced After a hundred years and ten there is a prospect that this prediction will be verified Wine production is now attracting great attention there and promises to become a very profitable industry Boston Herald

Easy Way of Making Money

An ingenious Frenchman has discovered an easy way of making a fortune He says in the neighborhood of lotteries offices and is always ready to give change still keeps his wits sharp wherever he goes to register a vow in case of need The English man who never sets a bet within call when over a dinner party has to find thirteen and something must be done to avert ill luck had perhaps a more agreeable companion in Boston Transcript

If a man got enough ink to go to bed was in for a good deal But so better than to kill dull when she's fit Detroit Free Press

ST. MARK'S CHURCH.

A MOST PERFECT AND CONSUMMATE WORK OF ARCHITECTURE

A Study of the Great Church in Venice Pen Picture of a Wonderful Interior Bewildering Lights and Shadows Nothing In the World to Match It

I know of nothing in all the world more solemn than an autumn sunrise through a thin mist It is so bewildering in its effect as is this marvelous creation It is the most fascinating and enchanting work ever confessed by all who have ever come within its influence but further than I leave it to be the most perfect and consummate work of architecture in the world This may be said hurriedly and thoughtlessly, or ignorantly, or vainly but after long study, which serves only to disclose some hitherto unexpected beauty I cannot name any building in England France, Italy or Germany which can remotely be compared with it for perfect union of all the powers possible to architecture

And now let us enter the church through the central porch—a kingly portal, indeed fit for the central fact of the city that once was the central fact of the world and remains even now its loveliest and most precious treasure On either side rise wide ranges of slender shafts, serpentine and alabaster, and pure Greek marble and void antique, each with its varied capital of intricate design A double tier on either hand, from the top whereof springs the vast circling archivolt of most exquisite tracery There the forest of columns closes closer and the arches sink lower leaving above a vast field where once glowed the golden mosaic of the Resurrection," then, last of all the finer clear lines of the architrave and so we pass beneath and stand within the atrium that, in a series of low vaulted domes follows two sides of the basilica A wonderful place even this, with precious columns of finest stone inlaid everywhere along the wall, covered now with soft gray bloom, like a fresh grape but polished here and there so that the exquisite veining shows in all its beauty A long gray corridor this that follows far around to the transept door beyond

This is only the prelude to what is beyond Lift the curtain of one of the doors and go within After the pearly light of the atrium all that one sees at first is a golden gloom, in the depth of which we stand Shadowy shafts rise about us and beyond them lies a great space of soft, golden light not bright and clear but low and solemn Beside us a vast wide wall of polished marble of the color of incense smoke warped into bending lines lifts itself clear from the rugged mosaic beneath our feet and as it rises the precious marble gives panels here and there of solemn saints and winged angels shadows in color with dull gold glimmering behind them Higher and higher reaches the field of stone, and changes now to vast, vague mosaics in strange design and mystic symbolism Higher still and long lines of soft light strike through high windows and then far above comes the vast arch of a golden vault where still are figures and designs in endless measure Down far below the shadows thicken and dark pillars and arches rise close circle above circle and through them one sees dimly how the shadows gather closer again and shape them elves into the indistinct form of a church, where slender shafts with fretted capitals delicate statues of saints and screens of varied marble rise over the still deeper shadow beyond where only reveal the flickering flame of frozen lamps and the dim glory of a golden altar cloth And always through these gathered shadows glows here and there the golden light in some domelike vault or strikes a pencil of trembling rays from an unseen window Yet all seems very small with little space

Let us walk toward the light in the chapel beyond over the heaving floor of shattered mosaic we advance slowly as the shadow opens for us and closes behind Shaft and pier and circling arch and inlaid vault fall always into new arrangements of perfect light and shade, and the eye lingers with loving delight on the carven marble of a thousand colors that clothes the wall in every varying hue And now we stand among the vast piers of marble four square, soft gray brown in color rising from bases of crimson marble joined above with golden arches and lost above in gloom where they bear the domes as yet unseen Turn to the right down the transept isle into the deeper darkness toward the strange Arabian doorway, where the red lamp burns continuously, then step out into the wide space of the transept and without looking up as yet walk to the further aisle and sit down on the marble seat that stretches along the transept wall and then raise your eyes slowly

All the closeness of the shafts and piers is gone and there opens before us a vista of vast extent, down out into the form of a cross and divided into shadowy aisles by many pillars Round the domes of its roof light enters only through narrow apertures like large stars, and here and there a ray or two from some far invisible casement wanders into the dark mass and casts a narrow phosphoric stream upon the waves of marble that rise and fall in a thousand colors along the floor

It is all strange shadow and indistinctness, whereupon the marble pillars seem to gather themselves into huge like unsainted columns of purple mists rising in slowly growing strength Let us search the upper and spreading roof and walls of polished alabaster that curve in vast and wonderful forms And so upward where seems but a tent for the walls glow with broken gold and rich and rare back swift gleams of fire or heavy gloom of luminous hues And everywhere a wonder of figures on wall and arch and roof higher and higher yet until the very Husband to each other and join in the arches of sheeted gold and silver and lower all into one magical world of circling domes sheathed in burnished gold and charged with myriads of saints and angels, and visions of good and evil and over all Christ looks down upon His people —Harper's Monthly

Few Quails in Dakota

Quails are almost unknown in Dakota and sportsmen from the gun clubs are trying to introduce them The Aberdeen Graphic notes a remarkable fact that eight of these birds lately lifted on the sidewalk in the business part of the city recently were not only bewildered strangers but the street was one of the most public in the city —Chicago Herald

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MONEY MADE ON RAILROADS

Itinerant Merchants Who Sell Papers and Fruits—Homely Dave's Feat

Very few of the travelers who have been so often annoyed on railroad trains by the persistent and not always refined eloquence of the youths who try to sell them stale peanuts decayed fruit and ancient literature, have any adequate idea of the amount of business these itinerant young merchants transact In fact, it has often occurred to many a passenger as an interesting problem how in the world a train news agent manages to make enough to buy his salt They see him go through the car time after time and sell nothing but perhaps a nickel's worth of apples, or a pint of peanuts, and they wonder if a hard working young man can pick up a quarter a day out of that business

These misgivings are natural enough, but they are entirely needless Smart young men often make as much as $40 or $50 a week as news agent on railroad trains, and he is a very novice who can not make from $15 to $20 without working very hard Some idea of the extent and value of the business may be learned from the fact that from $5 to $15 are often paid for the right to sell on the trains of a single line of railroad for a year In some instances much higher figures are reached The right is usually bought by some big news company, which buys all its stock at wholesale and dictates absolutely just what shall be sold on the trains Each news agent—"news butcher" is the technical term for him—has a big book in which all the stock he takes out of the office on each run is carefully entered up against him When he comes back his stock is recounted down to the last apple and the last pint of peanuts Comparisons with the news agent's book and the cash in the office are made and then the butcher' is allowed 20 per cent commission on his sale at the established retail prices That doesn t seem like a very big margin, but the boys increase it very substantially by crowding up the prices beyond the limits set by the company and by various other devices not always of a nature that a Sunday school teacher would approve

Then, too, the sales which appear legitimately on the book are much greater in the aggregate than any one not familiar with the business would imagine On a day run from here to Syracuse, say, they may average $40 That is not nearly so good a run as it was a few years ago In fact the business in all this part of the country has greatly depreciated of late So slight a matter as an old banana skin was responsible for a good deal of this The late Mr W H Vanderbilt was taking one of his western trips over the Lake Shore railroad, and in going through a day coach slipped and nearly fell on a banana skin that had been thrown on the floor The right to sell on the Lake Shore, New York Central, and nearly all the eastern roads was controlled by the Union News company, of which Mr Vanderbilt was the principal stockholder At the next station he telegraphed home an explicit order that no more news agents should be allowed to carry fruit of any description to sell Fruits are a rather important feature of the news agent's business, and trade on the eastern roads has never quite recovered from Mr. Vanderbilt's order —New York Mail and Express

Overworked Mme Adam

Long threatening has come at last in the case of Mme Adam, who has gone on for years burning the candle at both ends Her life has been intensely active and intensely feverish a life of efforts in all possible directions of show, publicity and (for the good of her "Review") advertisement She has been emulating the occupations of a hard headed, eager and go ahead man of business with those of a still lovely woman—albeit a grandmother, and resigned to wearing, without any sort of disguise, her gray hair Mme Adam is now on an exclusively milk diet and is lying by, as she needs absolute rest Her next winter's quarters will be her new house in the Boulevard de Malesherbes which she has been feverishly busy in building, decorating and furnishing For the last ten years Mme Adam has been a leading personage in the full dress circle at the theatrical and operatic first night, the grand promoter of, and central figure at, gala performances for charitable purposes, the godmother of young actors and actresses musicians, pictorial artists, dramatic authors and in short, the Dame de Bon Secours to everyone who wanted a soft and strong helping hand and asked her to give it —Chicago Herald

The Pacific Coast Gum Chewer

There is a ludicrous habit in this country, which shows how childish some of the people are It is that of chewing gum I remember that Stephenson the novelist in his "Silverado Squatters," mentions that his gigantic Apollo in the foothills chewed gum and spat It is I think, a habit imported from Missouri, or else it was acquired among the foothills when tobacco was scarce But grown up Yankee people have engaged at the pleasure A somewhat noted Massachusetts professor who had lived here several years was surprised because I did not chew gum At Los Angeles I did a favor for a San Francisco practical politician that is, I wrote for him a letter which he himself could not write I had acquired a toothache from drinking much ice water and seeing him take out a silver plated box I asked him for a bit of the tobacco It's gum he said —San Francisco Cor New York World

Watching the Train Come In

Going to see the train come in is one of the diversions outdoors in the east, but still in vogue in the plains of the far west Ranchers and cowboys often ride a score of miles to be at the little stations when the transcontinental train pulls up One of them declares that train time is an unpated is breaking the monotony of a tedious existence Soldiers from the garrisons are always seen at the stations observing the locomotive and gazing at the cars with an interest that shows how correspondingly depressing their lives would be without the railroad —Boston Transcript

Advertisement in an English Paper

Notice to heirs Samuel S—s Extract of Onions without smell and not causing any irritation is the best extract in the market for producing the most plentiful supply of tears Two shillings a large bottle one shilling a half bottle Be sure and see that the signature is on the bottle Slightly moisten the under part of the eyelid with the liquid

The Meanest Man

The meanest man in town said a barber to a customer in the chair was a lawyer who will come in one day get shaved and come in a day or two later and get his head rubbed and hair cut and on the old shave —Indianapolis Journal

IN A BARREL HOUSE.

DEFINITION OF A TERM UNFAMILIAR TO MOST PEOPLE

A Visit to a Peculiar Drinking Place in Brooklyn—Liquor at Five Cents a Swallow—Tough Proprietors and Rough Customers

"Did you ever see a 'barrel house'" said a certain keen eyed detective a few nights ago "Never' Well, do you know the meaning of a 'barrel house' No Come with me, then, if you care to find out"

The detective led the way through a good many streets, down under the big bridge and along the docks to a part of Brooklyn that very few people except longshoremen and sailors know much about At last the guide turned from the main street into a narrow, dirty alley and paused before a long black building that looked like a deserted warehouse Then he stumbled down a flight of rickety stairs with his companion at his heels A thump on the cellar door, through which a faint light shone brought a lanky yet muscular citizen into sight The man was dressed in a suit of jeans and a slouch hat, and did not look like a person whom you would particularly care to meet in a lonely place on a dark night He allowed the detective and the reporter to enter without question

The place was a cellar about 12x14 feet It was dimly lighted by two or three candles stuck in bottles Stretched on the floor were five ill favored gentlemen They were playing old sledge with greasy cards In the center of the room stood a big oily looking barrel Out of the bunghole issued a long rubber tube, the visible end of which was held by the lank citizen who had admitted the visitors The floor of the dingy dive consisted of rough boards partly strewn with straw A stove with rheumatic legs stood in one corner In the opposite corner was a plain deal table littered with unwashed dishes There was no other furniture

"Jim," said one of the ill favored gentlemen on the floor, none of whom had taken any more notice of the detective and his companion than a very long and very hard stare, "gimme a yank on that there pipe, will ye"

"Gimme yer nick fust," said the tough looking citizen After considerable fumbling in his pocket the ill favored gentleman produced five coppers, and the rubber tube was put into his hands He stood up, and, throwing back his head, put the end of the tube in his mouth The others looked on in silent envy while he took a mighty swallow Before he could take another the wily Jim had jerked the tube out of his mouth

"Only one swallow for a nickel," he said tersely, "don't try to hog it"

"This is a barrel house," said the detective "Try some of the whisky It's only a nickel a swallow"

The reporter deposited five cents with the tough looking proprietor, and tasted the contents of the barrel It was simply liquid fire

"Now you see what a barrel house is," said the detective as they left the place "You might think that fellow was either running there without a license, or that he was crazy to run that kind of a place if he could raise money enough to pay for his license Well, he has a license, all right enough, and he isn't a fool by any means You see, by keeping that kind of a doggery he makes the rough people who patronize him think that he hasn't a license, and consequently he is both braving the law, which is a big thing in their eyes, and is able to sell them liquor very cheap Then the people that he catches in that kind of a boozing den are men who wouldn't go near a more gaudy and pretentious resort The secrecy of the place and its general poky nature make it a great favorite with persons who have good reasons for not wanting to appear much in society So much for the dive itself Now that rubber tube is a great scheme, though it doesn't seem so at first In the first place, it saves a big outlay for a bar glassware, furniture and bartender Then, it enables him to pass off any kind of stuff for whisky, and that helps out his profits Besides, it is the most economical way in the world to sell whisky If that fellow had a bar and set out glasses his customers would pour out a full glass every time Now they can only get one swallow before he jerks the tube away Of course some of them have big mouths and can swallow a good deal at a time, but none of them can swallow a glassful He keeps no accounts, gives no one credit and does a nice, comfortable, inexpensive and mighty profitable business —and sells the worst liquor to be had on the continent"

"Are there any more like him in Brooklyn"

"Two or three The one we just left is the worst The others are rather better and one is fairly decent There you get with your whisky a sandwich or a bowl of soup Three or four barrels are on tap there and chairs for the customers and other conveniences But they all dispense liquor that would make a statue weep I suppose that one barrel house will turn out more delirium tremens in a year than a dozen ordinary saloons I have seen men who frequent them getting burned out by the horrible stuff until they have ended with the shivers"

"How do they get their licenses?"

The detective shrugged his shoulders

"Oh some of them fit up decent places and get licenses the first of the year and then turn over their cheap fixtures to somebody else and move into a neighboring cellar Do they keep the excise law? You bet they do for they know we are watching them all the time, and would be only too glad to get a chance to break them up —Brooklyn Eagle

Quite as Much

Taking it by and large children have quite as much reason to be ashamed of their parents as parents have to be ashamed of their children Perhaps a good deal more.—Boston Transcript

There is no human life so poor and small as not to hold many a divine possibility —James Martineau

Women generally do not make good detectives They have too many nerves and too little nerve

In St Louis 7 000 pounds of copper have been used in making just one steam kettle for a brewery

American students of art at Munich are increasing in number There are now over 100 there

The regular army of Russia numbers 850 081 when on a war footing it is 2 800 000

Chautauqua circles are being organized all over Nebraska

IN CHICAGO'S SHOW WINDOWS

The Displays Made to Attract the Attention of the Crowds of Passers-by.

There is a craze among merchants for attracting to their show windows the attention of crowds that surge along the streets Displays of copies of illustrated papers are quite common A clothing firm incurred considerable expense in the purchase of a set of rare comic pictures Another placed in its window a clock machine which dropped a printed card and rang a bell every minute, but the crowd did not seem to appreciate either the bell or the poetry printed upon the cards, and the stay of the machine was of short duration A Madison street tobacconist has made a hit with a comic figure which stands in the window and flings a package of tobacco over his head from hand to hand The dude manikin or automatic cigarette smoker displayed by a tobacco firm on Dearborn street some months ago drew as big audiences as Booth.

Another establishment on Madison street makes a specialty of pictures and souvenirs of the great fire Furniture dealers have attracted much attention to their windows by displaying therein beds beautifully furnished and with dummy human beings snuggled under the beautiful coverlets A Fifth avenue merchant has in his show window a pretty cataract in miniature, with real water A butter store on the North Side displays a comely young woman churning with the old perpendicular, arm tiring dasher which reminds passers-by of hours of wretchedness in their boyhood days A trunk dealer at the corner of Dearborn and Madison streets shows the skin of a Brazilian anaconda and boa constrictor also an elephant's hide A restaurant keeps a living lamb and rabbit in a little box just behind its plate glass front A hatter gifted with a satirical vein hangs up a placard announcing "A Suit of Clothes and an Overcoat Given Away With Every Hat"

A State street jeweler causes chills to run up and down the sensitive backs of superstitious people by showing them specimens of cremation urns in which the ashes of one's ancestors or mother in law may be neatly kept upon the parlor mantle No Chicago milliner has as yet imitated the New York extreme of placing in the show window a beautiful maiden not of wax, but of real flesh and blood attired in "the latest" from toe to top knot, but a young Chicagoan has placed upon the market a window device which should make his fortune In passing a store where this invention is employed to attract your attention you hear a sharp tapping upon the glass Could anything be better designed to stay your steps and turn your head How natural to think the tapping meant for you alone—presaging an invitation to take something, or to dine or at least have a chat and a good story with some old friend of whose business location you were unaware! But on looking you behold instead of the face of a friend a blue pasteboard policeman about two feet high, hugging the glass as if it were a saloon stove on a January night In his hand is a miniature club with which he taps the pane and just beneath his well turned figure is the appropriate placard "We Knock Them All Out On Prices"—Chicago Herald

Street Singers of New York

Street singers are now almost as common in New York as in Paris and they seem to be of the genuine Parisian stock they sing in the genuine Parisian head voice and their selections are of the same dismally sentimental order They work the residence streets uptown and rarely see them on the busier thoroughfares Commonly they travel in couples one playing in a distressed fashion on a flageolet or a fiddle, and the other singing, and the singer is generally a woman The queerest couple are two women, one who sings and the other who gathers in the change This latter is a comfortable looking, middle aged woman with an arm Her dress is artfully cut to show the short stump of her right arm in all its pitiful suggestiveness and the commiseration it excites is worth a good living to her I remember this vagrant as long as I have been in New York When I first saw her she was a handsome German girl of 18 or 20, who wandered among the haunts of theatrical people never saying a word to anyone but simply holding out her single hand which the sympathetic players crossed with small coin even when their own pockets were nearly bare She has grown older and plumper, but it seems to me that she still wears the same dress of coarse gray stuff, and she is certainly more loquacious than ever If she has a husband she must pour forth a vast flood of curtain lecturing to compensate for his public abstinence from the pet exercise of her sex —Alfred Trumble in New York News

Hair and English Celebrities

It is curious how much hair has to do with the success of the average English celebrity Oscar Wilde, Henry Irving, Wilson Barrett, and any other of the great ones from the isle across the sea would not have been half so successful in this country bereft of their curls and locks The next importation, Mr Wilde fully appreciated the value of hair as an aid to advancement in the world He is an American by birth—of which most people by the way are not aware—and he easily distances all British celebrities in the matter of hair, because he has been endowed by nature with singularly generosity as to quantity and a noticeable eccentricity as well This eccentricity consists of a large tuft of hair on the forward part of his head which is quite gray and in sharp contrast to the rest of his hair Some of Mr Jimmy Whistler's more ardent female admirers in London speak of it as the 'silver splash,' Mr Jimmy Whistler in theatrical parlance works the splash for all it is worth He is a clever man, an infamous painter, and his success in London has been very great It is rather hard that an American should hold the position of president of the Society of British Painters and Mr Whistler's great success that office is but another tribute to genius He wears the splash in the form of a great curl down over his forehead —Brooklyn Citizen

A Self-Sacrificing Woman

Omaha Dame—You seem very fond that Mrs De Cash New York Dame Yes I wish you could meet her She is the most self sacrificing woman in New York Indeed! I should say so Why, her husband gave her $300 to get a new parasol and she spent every cent of it for doctors fees and medicine Ah I see— Yes poor little thing but I don't believe the old man would have lived if she hadn't Omaha World

There is an artesian well 1 000 feet deep at Ashland, Neb., that throws out a stream that looks like the ordinary brook variety

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LOCAL NEWS.

A [illegible] Market
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Private sales in the morning at Well
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at Well Bros

Caledonia Argus Miss John [illegible] of
M [illegible] was visiting in Caledonia on Sun
[illegible]

Auction of Dry goods at Well Bros to-
morrow at 2 p m

—A son and daughter of Fred Haberman
are sick with diphtheria but it is not of a
malignant form

Attend the auction of Well Bros to-
morrow Commences precisely at 2 p m

—Tracy Henderson of Upper Sandusky
is caring for George Christian in the sick
room this week

J C Kail of Bucyrus is in the city
visiting friends and relatives he guest of
A D Matthews

The cold wave came in Thursday Wed
nesday night and froze up the flows that
told you about it coming

Jno Stout of Spencerville O has been
visiting his brother Chas Stout on south
West street for the past week

Miss Jennie Walkup, of Auburn Colfax
is visiting at the home of Mr and
Mrs I S Cummin on east Center street

—Miss Alice Cull has returned from Cincinnati where she has been a student at the Conservatory of Music for the past three months

—Fred Haberman has had his residence on north East street greatly improved by adding one of J W Stringer's steam heating apparatuses

This weather must have proved a terror to unsheltered stock and there must be a great many cattle that have no more protection than a straw stack

—The Marion Upholstery company is having such a rush of business that they can scarcely find time to prepare work for their local holiday trade

—Mack Mitten and Blanche Carey were licensed to marry Wednesday, and James B Coleman and Nannie A Sellers were granted a license Thursday

Three bums and one unfortunate woman who is making her way homeward to Decatur Ind, enjoyed the warm fire at the city prison Wednesday night

Jacob Keller now has an up town office where he looks after business for the King bay carrier He occupies the room vacated by Dr Denman in the Bennett block

—After a careful consideration of the matter the commissioners established that water course Wednesday, and have ordered the work to be sold December 15th

Several droves of hogs were delivered in this city Thursday for shipment to the Buffalo market The weather would seem a barrier to shipping both porkers and lard and have to stand it

Lizzie Lapp has placed the house she occupies in West Marion at the bluffs and paying $995 in cash for the same Liz ie has evidently been playing to good houses a la the stereotyping goes

John F Gray assignee of James B Riley has filed report of sale of real estate in Probate court and the same has been approved The sale makes a transfer of 99¾ acres to L Coon for the sum of $5085

The roads are in pretty good condition for the snow now, to make sleighing for the holidays The pikes are smooth and the mud roads are not nearly so rough as they usually are at the beginning of December

Well well well We are reliably informed that two bankrupt clothing houses are coming to Marion and locate side by side in the Comstock block We shall not be surprised to see clothiers even as in a few days

A female was prominent on the streets Thursday vehemently cursing those who did not see fit to be charitable to a murderer in a pecuniary way Her notions were of a kind that would knock a coal digger silly Queer people are many of those who belong

—The prosecution of the fakers who have so shamefully persecuted Mrs Snodgrass has been dropped as sufficient evidence can be secured against them The old lady is slightly [illegible] and the testimony unsupported [illegible] city from a legal sense

—F D Dorwart was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Miss Idora Hart at the residence of the bride's parents on Wall street Rev A D Matthews officiating The ceremony was performed in the presence of the friends of the contracting parties We wish the newly married couple much joy through life

—G S McClure's contract for the loss made by the burning of the Drake properties owned by W A Vail in Montgomery township The [illegible] & Mutual Insurance company in which the property was insured paid Mr Vail $850 for total loss on buildings and household goods burned

—A neighboring [illegible] is the fact of a boy fifteen years old [illegible] traded chewing gum with the boy who had diphtheria He [illegible] and died and from him [illegible] broth and to young and [illegible] tracted it with the [illegible] only one of the family [illegible]

For months [illegible] quarterly [illegible] sessions [illegible] sides the allowance of bills for pike repairing, [illegible] from Monday last [illegible] Commissioners [illegible] some [illegible] ing of the commissioners [illegible] pipes

—The Mirror is out with the announcement that Mayor Galley has [illegible] Phillips several hundred who think that Hon Cummings the other will [illegible] in the spirit of revenge like the Oriental custom of giving an elephant to an enemy as an effectual way of ruining even Of course Mr Lincoln did not elephant and [illegible] is the trouble things [illegible] that city amounts to

—George Dwyer our capital township clerk and Miss Keys eighth ward [illegible] was married Tuesday to that very estimable young lady of this city, Miss Marie Stewart The ceremony was performed at Union City Ind where Miss Marie has been visiting George has returned to Marion leaving the happy bride in Union for a few days but she will soon join him here and this will be their future home

Kossuth lodge I O O F, held its annual election of officers Monday night with the following result Chas Stose N G Chas Myers, V G Wm Fies, P S J S Dudley treas, R A Boyd, sec'y A H Kling L Rush and I J Magruder trustees and Fred Isslieb property trustee A banquet followed and it was one of those excellent affairs that the Odd Fellows get up when the notion strikes them that way

—Wednesday afternoon a shot was fired through an upstairs window in the residence of C C Fisher, on Mt Vernon avenue but the force of the missile was well nigh spent and no further damage was done than the breaking of the large glass Charley is not disposed to think it an attempt to assassinate him but thinks and rightly too that there is too much carelessness in the discharge of firearms inside the city limits

H D Morrill the popular representative of H Lust the confectioner came in off the road Thursday having already sold all the orders that the house can supply Although Mr Lust's manufacturing facilities were doubled this year the house has been kept behind its orders for the holidays, and Harry has come in off the road to help manufacture This shows a kind of business that must be highly satisfactory to Mr Lust

—That clarinet player, Harry Custer who is as well a smoking dog and dead shot has shown his true inwardness at Mt Gilead and the K of P band in that city is well rid of him The band of that place, it seems owed Harry a balance for services as leader and seeking to collect it Harry waited until an audience had gathered at Lovering Hall to hear the weekly concert and then demanded the sum before the opening number should be rendered Of course he was summarily dismissed and the audience dispersed without a concert We simply chronicle this episode because the Marion band was a like victim of Harry's treachery and many people have believed the band was at fault Harry is a bad man

Our New Enterprises.

The STAR man in going his rounds this morning visited several of the new industries of the city

First was Weinberger Bros overall manufacturing establishment This institution is not many years old having been located here about two years During that time they have established the reputation of their goods and now enjoying a fine trade and an enviable reputation The demands for their goods are greater than the supply, and they are constantly increasing their force of employes Weekly they disburse hundreds of dollars to the poor families of the city and they in this manner relieve much of the distress that invariably accompanies poverty Weinberger Bros are enterprising energetic and affable gentlemen and with no doubt in the course of a few years have an establishment of no mean proportions

Visiting the Central Ohio Suspender company the STAR man was struck with the number of hands this institution already employes They have been in running order for about two months but during that time the demands made upon them by the trade is of such a nature that they with difficulty have supplied the calls for their goods They intend shortly to put in a larger force of hands and to run their institution to its fullest capacity The proprietors deserve to thrive and they will reap the reward of their energy and enterprise

Musicale

The Misses Ella and Carrie Winnek gave the second of a series of musical entertainments at their residence on south Main street, Thursday evening A fine program was rendered and the impression made by some of their pupils was of a noteworthy character showing that they fully comprehend the gist of their instruction and are in a fair way to become in due time, fine vocal and instrumental performers Among those who, themselves great credit were the Misses Rose Maggie Beatty Mary Fies, Irene Bertie Nichols Masters John and Dan Evans The Glee class of young ladies consisting of the Misses Maggie Beatty Mary Fies Birdie Nichols and Lulu Rayl acquitted themselves with distinguished credit Their voices seem perfectly adapted to each other and possess remarkable beauty and the most wonderful degree of musical skill and proficiency in music while singing Each their efforts were received with many ovations of delight

Cochranton

Miss Jacob Shultz who has been very sick is recovering

On Wednesday Nov 30th, Mr D Davis put his hogs and when through put his in Mr Davis and he and I went took in and is thinking they had put out all the fire at the place where they had been [illegible] for feeding purposes After they left Mr Davis little boy aged about seven went out in the yard and got to playing around in the ashes He was not out but a very few minutes when he ran toward the house enveloped in flames His mother and grandmother (Mrs Lucinda Grayson) put out the flames and removed the little fellows clothing when it was found the child was badly burned but not dangerous The two women burned their hands severely The presence of mind of the child served by running home in saving his life

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THE LOCAL LEGISLATURE

The City Council Meets in Regular Session and Discuss Matters to a Late Hour A Step Toward Waterworks

The city council met in regular monthly session Wednesday evening the mayor clerk and councilmen in [illegible] present Not a great amount of business was transacted but [illegible] points are important and the session lasted well [illegible] this hour it was cold with [illegible] home in the fierce cold

The first business transacted was the granting of a license to Music Hall for one year at the nominal price of $5 which, however was not by a unanimous vote The move is made simply to comply with the law

The treasurer's monthly report followed but in reality it is two months report as the council transacted no business at the November meeting Mr Meyer reported the sum of $2 921 65 to have been disbursed leaving a ballance of $8 120 96 in the treasury

Mayor Galley's report followed, showing $7 to have been collected in fines $4 50 for house rent, $5 for hall rent and $3000 borrowed of the Farmers Bank He turned over to Treasurer Meyer $400 for general purposes $700 for gas purposes $1 700 for street purposes and $16 50 not itemized This loan of $3000 had been ordered two months ago, as the city treasury would have become bankrupt without it

The committee on accounts went over the monthly accumulation of bills and ordered them paid

The gas committee was instructed, by a motion that prevailed, to contract with the Marion Gas Light company to furnish gas at not more than $12 50 per year for 5 foot burner posts to burn all the dark hours until 3 a m averaging eighteen nights per month

The plat of four lots layed out by George Krause and wife, on the corner of Canal and Windsor streets was accepted The ground for street purpose was given the city in the authorized plat and the lots properly numbered

The council then made an unanimous move towards waterworks The committee on fire department was ordered to prepare a form for taking bids for waterworks and was instructed to report at the next meeting

The petitions of property holders for the improvement of the alley running east and west on a line with Quarry street, from Star street to East, was not taken up and the petition for the opening of Windsor street from Belle fontaine avenue to South street, was also left on file without consideration The council would be highly pleased to open Windsor street, but the city is wholly unable to buy the property that such a move would necessitate

The business being ended the council went in a body with Dan Lawrence to the English Kitchen and partook of oysters at that gentleman's expense The way this little diversion came about was Mr Lawrence's own fault entirely While disputing a point with Street Commissioner Walsh, Mr Lawrence wanted to bet the oysters. At once the city dads cried in concert for the oysters and he couldn't back out for Walsh refused to bet After regaling themselves thoroughly the dads went home strongly impressed that, after all, there are a few pleasant occurrences in a councilman's career

Caledonia Chips

[From the Argus.]

We regret to learn that Dr Farmers is confined to the house with a severe attack of inflammation of the kidneys

We are sorry to hear that Captain I W Roberts is not so well this week He had been improving for a week or two previously

The new bell for the M E church is on its way if not already here and we may expect soon to hear something like a tone from that quarter

After a suspension of a few months the Caledonia orchestra has been reorganized and commenced to practice under the leadership of J C Irwin Now see if the boys don't make music before the robins nest again

We understand that preparations are being made for a fair or festival in connection with the M E church before Christmas and that Christmas entertainments will be given at the M E church and the Universalist church

Uncle Frank Campbell Dead

Uncle Frank Campbell died Sunday morning at his residence on west Center street from a number of diseases that have for some past years been afflicting him Mr Campbell was 77 years of age, and was able until a few days ago to move around as usual

He was a man of considerable fortune having accumulated in the neighborhood of $200 000 during his lifetime He owned numerous buildings in the city and was a most enterprising and worthy citizen His business block on the corner of Center and Main streets was appropriately draped in black Monday morning and the merchants who occupy his rooms showed their appreciation by closing their establishments from 12 o'clock until the close of the ceremonies attending the burial of Mr Campbell, Tuesday

A sympathetic public extend their heartfelt sorrow to the bereaved family

They Must Have It

EDITOR MARION WEEKLY STAR —Your Weekly STAR failed to reach this office last Saturday and your humble servant has been bothered to death Old men have called for it old women miss it and are mad at Grover for not attending to such important matters little children can not sleep, for they have nothing to dream about If you have any respect for humanity, send them along if it is late and stop this terrible rush

I have tried to comfort them by giving them sample copies of the Independent and Mirror, but they have no soothing influence Nothing will satisfy but the Marion Weekly STAR

If you fail at any future time to have them on time I will resign for I can't stand this confusion

Yours
O W JOHNSTON P M
Morral, O, Dec 1

WALKS AND TALKS

The people of this world who fail do not do it with their intentions [illegible] the STAR [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] the Star [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

TOBACCO AND LIQUORS.

CURIOUS HABITS OF FOREIGNERS IN REGARD TO THEM

No Spitting Abroad—Pretty Barmaids Babies and Wine—The Drinking Places of Faust Luther Mozart and Robert Burns—The American Bar Fit

Special Correspondence

Paris Oct 1 There is as much difference in the tobacco of the different countries as there is in their manner France and Italy make their own tobacco and the smoker finds it poor cigars in these countries as anywhere in the world The French government receives revenue of $45 000 000 a year out of the manufacture and sale of tobacco and it has at Paris a big factory where are made the most of the cigars used in Paris Here are employed 2 800 hands and of these 1 900 are females The best cigars in France are those which are imported The average Frenchman smokes a poor cigar and the most of those sold range from one to three cents each The French are great smokers of cigarettes and packages of good cigarettes may be gotten for from sixteen to thirty cents a package You never see a Frenchman on the street with a pipe in his mouth and cigars are used here in preference to pipes

This is different in England Scotland and Ireland where all smoke pipes and where the cigar is the exception The Englishman of the better class is not ashamed to smoke a pipe upon the street and in the smoking cars in the hotels and in fact everywhere you may see well dressed men with short black pipes in their mouths puffing vigorously The pipe used in England is the short stemmed briar wood pipe There are few pipes with bent stems and nearly every smoker uses a tobacco pouch The tobacco used in England is all long cut and even that imported from America is of this character A tobacconist seldom shows you a case of tobacco of one grade He hands out two or three different grades and mixes them together in the selling Many of the tobacco stores of Ireland put up their tobacco for customers in little round packages like a cigarette package They do this by means of a funnel into which they pound the tobacco and then slide it out into a round paper wrapper the ends of which they tuck in and thus save the expense of string Less string seems to be used in tying up small packages abroad than with us and a piece of wax or mucilage often takes the place of twine There is economy in smoking also and a half used pipe is tucked carefully away and lighted again There are many American cigarettes sold over Europe and I saw the lewd photographs of the factory at Richmond in the shop windows of both London and Paris

There is little chewing of tobacco in Europe and I have yet to see the first man spitting tobacco juice Many of the largest tobacco stores keep no chewing tobacco at all and a party of American friends of mine hunted all over Antwerp in search for some They finally got a piece of old plug twist which was so dry that it seemed to have been in the store for years The tobacconist who sold it said he had never had a call for it before

The foreign smokers do not spit as we do and there is almost an entire absence of spittoons in the public buildings The hotels of England all have smoking rooms and these are generally connected with the office of the hotel A waiter in a swallow tail coat presides over the smoking room and it is his duty to attend to the wants of the loafers there In the larger hotels there are electric bells to call waiters and it is in the smoking room of such hotels and not at the bar that the drinking is done A great part of the drinking of England is done in these smoking rooms A tap upon a bell calls a waiter and the man thus orders his drink If it be beer or porter it is brought in a pint cup of plated silver if it be wine it is brought in a bottle and whisky comes either in the bottle or the glass as you want it

The English do not drink whisky as we do They stir a long time before their glass and sip it First a sip then a smoke then another sip and another smoke until the glass is empty They do not drink whisky straight or pure but mix it with water and a water carafe always accompanies a glass of whisky Whisky is seldom given out in bottles The most common drink among hard drinkers in Great Britain seems to be gin Scotch and Irish whisky is often drunk and the price of whisky is perhaps a little cheaper than in America The English are however rigid as to measurement of glasses and the man who had the dealing out of the liquors at the Edinburgh exhibition almost lost his privilege because his whisky measure was not as large as the regulation one Whisky is sold in glasses and half glasses The half glass costs six cents a whole glass about twelve A great deal of money is made in selling liquor abroad and the millionaires of Dublin have founded their fortunes upon liquor The Guinness family who make the 'stout' or 'porter' are immensely wealthy and one of them was made a baron some time ago There are also millionaires in Glasgow who have become so by monopolies of the saloon business and it is a queer thing in Dublin that the two greatest cathedrals there have been rebuilt out of the profits of whisky and porter

The English drink great quantities of ale stout and beer and it is the universal custom abroad to drink at meals The average man thinks nothing of a pint bottle of beer or wine and I have seen many drink as much as a quart during a single meal Coffee and tea are used at breakfast and there is a great deal of tea drunk in England At a table d hote dinner on the continent there is no tea drunk and the water used is always mixed with wine Men women and children drink at the table

The foreigner never thinks of taking a lunch or a picnic or a railroad ride without including a bottle of liquor to wash it down I saw a little baby of 2 years riding with her mother on a Holland railroad train The mother had a wine bottle and she offered this frequently to the little one who put her lips to its mouth and drank thus out of the bottle During the ride of a couple of hours this baby drank I should judge fully a pint of wine and when her mother at last corked the bottle she cried for more

The French are great wine drinkers and the poorest man has his bottle of wine with his dinner Many of the prices for dinners in Paris include wine and it is not an uncommon sight to see a family of Parisians drinking wine together on a public yard The French drink a great deal of absinthe and they are also fond of black coffee which they drink out of goblets They often mix with this coffee about a thimbleful of cognac brandy and a very poor article of brandy is sold in Paris For six or ten cents you can get a very nice glass of coffee with a thimbleful of brandy in it and I once met a man in Paris to drink this after a big meal while sitting and gossiping on the boulevard Brandy and soda is drunk here as in England and soda and whisky are sometimes mixed There are few mixed drinks at all in Germany is not so common as with us You often see men drinking beer but I do not know a man who will drink in company with other than together to the smoking room full than to a bar The

SOME NEW HOUSES

GETTING RID OF THE FLAT FRONT AND SHARP CORNER

The Colonial Utilitarian and Crazy Methods of American House Building After All These We are Developing a Really Attractive Architecture

Out of the chaos of ugliness and discomfort a few of the really wanted Americans people are at length evolving some beautiful homes The old colonial architecture was a type to itself Some of the houses yet standing with the square face and peaked roofs are really picturesque under the softening influence of two centuries and with the old trees around them

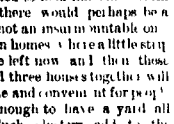
After that came the utilitarian period in our architecture A house was a place to eat and sleep in and to be put together in the weather in Besides immediately after the revolution there was so much to do that people had no time to think of anything else The citizens of our young republic had a new continent to conquer all their own and they were impatient to be at work After that came the crazy period when we tried to do something and could not We are at length coming out of that stage

The picture of the Boston mansion shows what American houses have grown to in most too many instances Part of the evil result is due to the stress applied to the plumbing The whole house is constructed in a way with a view here two years to do citizens who make home and not to sell it The hideous old fashioned style of building a block of houses so alike that one may enter the wrong house and take his neighbors clothes for his own is properly resented but both sides lay their heads together and omit skilled architects They plan and build a sort of cooperative structure On the outside it looks like all the mansions—large stately and imposing is a castle Inside it is separated into two complete homes more thoroughly private even than the ugly old blocks Haven't those rows of meaningless buildings with dark rooms all through the center walls will day quite disappear from American cities

A BOSTON HOME

In New York architecture has taken a surprising flight in recent years That quarter of the city which is now growing most rapidly is the West side so called

In the second illustration are seen the attempts of the Yankee intellect to adorn and disguise the flat front of honored time The attempt is not half a bad stagger either The plan of the building in the first picture is the best however for connected houses The house is extremely pleasing to the eye at the same time it answers every purpose of the old dark room blocks better than themselves did These houses can thus be very well constructed to look like one With more than that there would perhaps be a difficulty though not an insurmountable one For semi suburban homes where a little strip of side yard can be left now and then these clusters of two and three houses together will be both picturesque and convenient for people who are not rich enough to have a yard all to themselves Such clusters add to the pleasing effect of the half country landscape relieving the dull flabbiness



FRONT BROWNSTONE

For homes in cities for persons of small or moderate means beyond a doubt the newest fashion of apartment houses sometimes called 'French flats' is best Some of these in New York city are thirteen stories high and are occupied by a hundred families They are a village in one house To a few best of them there is only one central front entrance through this all pass The halls run parallel with the street which is much the better way for so large a building There need thus be no dark rooms

Still another ideal of front ornamentation is exhibited in the third picture It seems to shows the studied attempt to get away from the ball flat front by such attempts to do so removed In this instance it has been quite successful The house shown is a new one in New York city west of Central

FRONT OF HOUSE

park and not far from the Hudson river This part of the great city is almost the only one in which vacant building spaces are yet left and these are now filling rapidly The houses being constructed here are for families of moderate means They are three stories with mansard roof many of them and connected but there is every where the endeavor to give pictures quaintness and variety to the exterior

It has only recently dawned on us apparently that rich and beautiful architectural ornaments can be made of just plain brick clay red yellow and other colors It can be molded and baked into any shape For cornices and windows and doors for walls themselves nothing can be richer or more tasteful Along with the end to relieve the flat front has come almost commandable desire to do away with the sharp corner So should it be alike with the sharp corners in our houses and in our characters The latter picture is an architectural success in point A tower can always be constructed which will break at last one sharp edge of a house In the construction the terra cotta ornament is alluded to can be very effectively employed

A CORNER

Bricks will soon be found for this should stained a process having been found for making the coloring matter with the brick before burning Besides too many have lately been constructed of brown red brick with dark red or brown brick green ornamentation for window caps doors and cornices

I drank very little champagne and I never tasted so much Bad as Paris is in the matter of drunkenness it is not to be compared with the cities of Germany and it is well in such matters to go to drunken cities in England Ireland and Holland rather than to Germany France or Italy All of the lower classes of Glasgow seem to get drunk every Saturday night and throughout Ireland Scotland and England I saw many drunken people of both sexes I saw some drunken people who appeared to be stupid in Paris and I may have been that they were half drunk with absinthe but there was no maudlin exhibition upon the street and there were not the red faces bewhiskered drunkards you will find in New York and London Italy is also a wine drinking country and it stands on about the same basis France as regards to drunkenness Englishmen as to late years very little drinking was done and the drunkenness of Egypt has been introduced by the European residents of Mohammedanism and very strict against drunkenness but the young Egyptians of the better class wish to imitate Europeans and in Cairo and Alexandria you will find the same character of bars of chambers of drinking places connected with concerts which you find in Paris and London

Speaking of Vienna the Austrians are on a par with the other German nations as beer drinkers The Vienna beer is excellent It is light foamy and pleasant in taste and you will find it on draught in all the great cities in Europe The Bavarian beer is also very fine and there is a brewery in Munich under the patronage of the crown This brewery has been managed for several hundred years by the government and it is one of the queerest places in Europe There is not a table and you drink your beer in a half cellar which is entered by a paved courtyard in which are tables and seats Every one waits upon himself in the cellar of the Munich brewery The beer mugs stand on rows of shelves and any one who desires a mug of beer must pick up one of these mugs wash and clean it himself and carry it to the counter Behind this several men are drawing beer from barrels The waiter lays down about five cents and the money falls for him It holds about three pints and he carries it off to hunt a table where he can sit down and enjoy it No waiters are on a par in this brewery and princes and their servants nobles and peasants have the same fare in beer in this "Hofbrau haus" In the spring of the year the "bock" beer is sold and this is a great time for drinking in Munich Every one goes to the "Hofbrauhaus" and drinks mug after mug of the fine bock beer and this drinking keeps up till the beer is exhausted It is wonderful how much the people drink and that with it all you see so few drunken men to speak of Children are given beer to drink and I have wondered at times as to whether the amount of beer drunk by them or their parents has not something to do with the large number of bow-legged children in Germany Certain it is that more bow legged young ones are found in Germany and the Scotch cities than anywhere else in Europe

In this matter of drinking and smoking one gets closer to the great men of the past than in any other way I have had some queer experiences in hunting out such haunts In a late letter I told you of the noted pot house of "The Cock" in London which Tennyson celebrated I have visited Auerbachs keller in Leipsic where some of the scenes in Goethe's "Faust" are laid and I have looked with interest upon the beer mug of Martin Luther in the Johanneum museum in Dresden It held about a quart and it was an enormous one of Luther's that the following German words were inscribed

Wer hat nicht wein weib und gesang
Der bleibt ein narr sein leben lang—

which translated means

Who loves not woman wine and song
Remains a fool his whole life long

I saw another drinking vessel of Luther's at the Wartburg castle which was used while he was living here upon the translation of the Bible and which I believe is the identical one which he used to have thrown at the head of the devil when he tormented him At Salzburg in southern Bavaria where Mozart was born and where Haydn wrote some of his finest music I visited the noted wine cellars known as the Stifts Keller," and found here as of one hundred well dressed men and women eating now as a similar crowd did years ago when Mozart and Haydn drank among their other good wines and perhaps at an equally cheap price of five cents a pint In Scotland this summer I took a run out at Ian O Shanter's man in the cottage of Auld Alloway where Robert Burns drank and where Tam and Souter Johnny sat then drinking but which started Burns on his adventures just as I was looking by old times as the same now as it was then and the same old tables and side furniture remain The building is low and everything is smoky but the old drinking place honors those men who made it famous Pictures of Burns hang upon its walls and there is a bust of Burns within it It has an old fireplace A long table runs through its center and old chairs and benches are scattered about it It is not hard to people it with the jovial crowd of the poets and I could almost see the rosy cheeks of Robert Burns as he turned out one of those songs which have since made that part of Scotland so famous

The American bar has become a great feature of Europe It is usually a fraud and is an excuse for charging high prices for poor liquors You often see the sign in England American bar All drinks one shilling And the rule is that you pay twenty five cents for the article which at the English bar or the way you get for eight or ten cents At the American bars mixed drinks are sold but seldom beer They are patronized by American travelers who have more money than use and on their bills of fare they have all sorts of ridiculous titles for drinks such as 'Beauty's Breath' etc Many of the leaders in England are women and this is also the custom in Germany I have seen women drawing beer in Scotland who had red faces as to beauty and refinement as you will find in a Sabbath day's journey and it seems to be the rule in both Great Britain and Germany to pick out pretty girls for barmaids FRANK GEORGE CARPENTER.

Upton Sinclair writes And now soon this year, God willing—I shall stop writing, in a small way take up the law again and a man who writes constantly cannot think much and a man who does not think is thought not to have much to say There is a disposition to selfishness and egotism in writing that is ominous to all men A man who makes a profession of writing poetry usually dies early for if he lives long he will surely suffer death Besides all that the field for genuine poetry is so small that no man ought to try to make his bread much less to maintain others on it * * * Other material objects of song have selected war and celebrated a lot of cruel butchers through all the ages sowing dragons teeth in every sounding shell I would starve first * * * And then with the Bible Shakespeare and the Brownings the world is not greatly in need of more poetry but it is greatly in need of more fruit more flowers and more beautiful gardens

SCIENCE OF FASTING

AS EXPOUNDED BY A MAN WHO FASTED FORTY FIVE DAYS

Mr John Griscom Thinks a Thirty Days Fast an Insignificant Matter—Succi and His Elixir—Fasting as a Remedial Agent

Learning that Mr John Griscom who fasted forty five days in Chicago in 1881 was in town a reporter from this paper called on him for a talk on the subject He said that in the last twenty years since he made the subject a special study he has fasted at least fifty times the periods being all the way from two and three weeks to thirty days besides his celebrated fast of forty five days which is the longest time on record

In fact I have fasted these periods so many times he added, that I consider a fast of twenty five or thirty days as an insignificant matter For such a period it requires no special effort or endurance—it is consistent—for there is no apparent change in a person who goes at it in the right way nor any depletion From my experience I regard it as a natural thing and as easy to fast twenty five or thirty days as three days I have often gone without food for twenty one days and I have shown no sign of having gone without a meal'

What about others you know of who have fasted

Well there is Dr J P Miller of this city who tells me he fasted twenty three days and the people in the hotel where he was living did not know of it He kept at his work right along and it did not affect him at all This is entirely contrary to Tanner's fast over which so much was made here which was one of supreme endurance Another man whom I have met who fasted was a very unusual and remarkable case He went by the name of Budd Henry He was captured by the Indians and put in a cave where his surroundings were so disagreeable that he could not eat a mouthful He fasted in this way thirty nine and three quarter days before he effected his escape A remarkable result followed He developed a wonderful mental capacity and astonished every one by it But this was an entirely exceptional case

SUCCI AND HIS ELIXIR

What do I think of Succi and his elixir a drop of which enables him to fast forty eight hours Though I think such a thing would be a very beneficial discovery, I take no stock in it As to Tasher whose elixir it is claimed will enable other people to fast, I think what he attributes to the effect of his elixir is due simply to a belief that it makes fasting uninjurious It is a matter of fact that a person does feel better after a fast of forty eight hours It is true that a craving for food will take place in this time because the system is in the habit of taking food, but after that the sensation does not occur

The application of all this is the enlistment of all the intellectual faculties A person to fast through the will power not believing it is right would destroy the nervous system in two or three days But if there is a full belief that it can be done, without harm, one can do it easily The trouble is the majority of people believe that it can't be done and thus people frighten themselves to death rather than starve to death I never found, until I fasted, a human being—doctors or anybody else—who thought it at all probable such a thing could be done Even now leading physicians insist that it can't be done For years I have given the subject special study, and I believe it is time now in the renewed agitation of the subject, to make the application Either fasting is a good thing or it isn't This is the secret that physicians, physiologists and scientists have not found out yet

A GREAT REMEDIAL AGENT

Suppose the prejudice against fasting to be removed what will be the practical results'

It would be shown to be the greatest remedial agent known It would be the means of killing incipient diseases and effect remarkable cures With the prejudice against fasting wholly removed any one in the enjoyment of perfect health could fast two or three weeks without inconvenience But if a man should fast simply as an experiment without a full belief that he could do it he would kill himself My own life was saved by fasting I don't look like a very sick man now, do I? and yet all I eat a day is a small loaf of bread and some fruit, with two or three cups of coffee (Mr Griscom is a large, well built man weighing over 200 pounds and has a ruddy healthy look)

"I walk five or ten miles a day, have a clear head and never a thought of hunger I have got to prefer this way of living and find it amply sufficient From this I am convinced that people would be a good deal healthier if they should eat less'

'Are you willing to demonstrate these ideas to the public

I have gotten through with fasting and had almost forgotten about my long fast until the attention now being called to the subject recalled it to me, and I would not undertake to fast again unless it should become important in the interests of science to do so Even then I should want everything about the experiment to be thoroughly respectable and to be invited to do so by the best authority I first seemed necessary to get at the truth completed with chair business then I would be willing to put myself entirely under scientific care for say thirty days test regarding which physiologists might make their own conditions provided they were reputable men —New York Mail and Express

Picture of Puget Sound

Puget sound lies like a hand with its fingers stretching in and out of the shores that come plumply down to meet it on every side It is a very well kept hand, neat around its edges I never saw salt water and land agree so well before —Kate Field's Letter

Hugo's First Poetry

When Victor Hugo carried his first manuscript of poetry to a publisher it was handed back to him unread because poetry was a drug on the market It proved to be a sorry blunder for the publisher

Wagner's Memory

Wagner's memory is to be honored by yearly musical festivals at Bayreuth A society of six men and six women has been formed in Germany for this purpose and they will each contribute $1 a year to the fund for a period of seven —Kansas City Times

Connecticut is said to be the only state east of Nebraska where an attempt at suicide is not a legal misdemeanor

A Novel Moonshine Distillery.

Deputy Collector Fite and Deputy Marshal Scott made the most novel raid ever made in this district the other night

As is known Paulding county has furnished a large number of illicit distilleries recently than any other county Still have been pitched thick and fast in that county and a large number of men arrested Thursday night the officers named above concluded they would try their hand in Paulding Going to Cartersville they put out through the country walking At a small place near Cartersville they heard of a neighborhood distillery and securing a guide, they set out for the place Through the woods and over the hills the officers plodded until the corn juice maker was reached Under the base of a large rock on the mountain side they found a neat little still house, but the outfit for making the fluid was a very novel one Fitted down in the furnace was a ten gallon washpot, rusty and worn from use, the arm of the cap was made out of a piece of hickory and the worm was the old barrel of an army musket The mash tub was a small dry goods box, and three old churns were used as beer barrels The pot was broken to pieces, but Deputy Collector Fite kept the worm (the gun barrel) and says he believes it is the last worm which will be used in Paulding county in some time

Now, how many gallons of liquor could they make in that kind of a machine in a week?" asked the reporter of Deputy Collector Fite

About twenty," was the reply.

'Worth how much?"

Two dollars a gallon to the neighbors, and I suppose it was a neighborhood affair "—Atlanta Constitution

The "War Library" in Berlin.

One of the sights of Berlin (a sight more known, perhaps to strangers than to natives) is the Kriegsbibliothek, which contains all known works printed during and since the war of 1870 and 1871 having direct relation to that campaign The extensive collection of books and pamphlets is remarkably interesting The works range from the portly volumes compiled by the general staff to two page descriptions of single battles and sieges The war reports of foreign correspondents are of especial value, as they include versions coming from the opposite camps There are, moreover, maps and plans of all battlefields with representations of marches and sieges, also collections of debates in the Reichstag, diplomatic documents, etc Biographies of princes, generals, and other prominent personages who figure in the history of the period, and great bundles of poetry and musical compositions are also to be found in the library, while photographic reproductions of paintings bearing upon the war are contained in numerous portfolios Caricatures and humorous pictures form not the least interesting part of the collection —German Newspaper

Rare Modesty.

Queen Margaret of Italy has been spending a fortnight at Courmayeur, a watering place in Savoy An administrative ukase has prohibited the admission of the public to the baths during the visits of her majesty The queen was greatly surprised to find herself all alone in the establishment, and when told the reason she eagerly protested, saying, "It is very dull being in the water without any one to talk to, and the chances are that you do not stay in the proper length of time" The prohibition was then canceled and the baths opened to the general public, but no lady ventured to enter the establishment in the presence of her majesty, and the authorities were at last compelled to distribute free tickets of admission among a number of respectable schoolgirls, that they might divert the distinguished patient while using the waters —Corriere di Torino

Only Wanted to Be Measured.

Seedy Individual—I would like to get measured for a suit.

Fashionable Tailor (suspiciously)—At about what price, sir

Seedy Individual—That makes no difference

Fashionable Tailor (as before)—We generally require a deposit from unknown parties

Seedy Individual (calmly)—I do not wish you to make the suit It has been so long since I enjoyed this experience that I simply wish to get measured —Philadelphia Call

When to Eat Fruit.

The real place of fruit is at the beginning of a feast, and not at the end. A better plan is to make a meal of bread and ripe fruit The best meals to make thus are breakfast, lunch, or early tea The bread should be brown and dry and the fruit ripe and raw Dry brown bread cleans the tongue and brings out the flavor of the fruit Butter on the bread would give its own flavor, for even the salt in the butter would destroy the pure taste of the fruit Again, the fruit should be raw, if possible, as many delicious odors and delicate flavors are lost in the cooking —Chicago Tribune

Substitute for Tracheotomy.

The operation of tracheotomy, by which an opening is made with the knife into the windpipe to the relief of membranous croup and diphtheria, seems likely to be superseded by the intubation of the larynx In this new operation a small tube is inserted through the mouth into the windpipe, and all necessity for a cutting operation is thus avoided. It is lauded by the advocates of this method as a triumph that it is far easier to introduce this tube than to perform tracheotomy and that more lives are saved than by the old operation —Science

Inventor of the Cowcatcher.

On West Broad street, Columbus, O, is the shop of J B Davies, the inventor of the locomotive cowcatcher He was born in Kenawha county Me, and is now well on in years He spends his time in studying books on mechanics and designing iron work He is far from wealthy Like most inventors he has not the knack of profiting financially by his mechanical genius —New York World

A Curious Transformation

French surgeons [illegible] or corrupted when [illegible] Americans One of [illegible] changes is Mr Antonio [illegible] Oughtney [illegible] teacher wrote down [illegible] understood the [illegible] sequently the whole [illegible] came 'Jangraw' —[illegible]

The Princess Elizabeth, of Saxe-Weimar, who has just been married to the grand duke of Mecklenburg, bears the reputation of being one of the most beautiful and accomplished women on the continent. She is tall and graceful, with blue eyes and golden hair She speaks English, French, Italian and Spanish as easily as she does German, and her musical powers are so great that Liszt called her his "best pupil"

BILL NYE AS A BOY

He Recalls the Days of Childhood and Turnips.

If I were a boy again, endowed with the same wild passion for plucking watermelons in the dark of the moon, I would no doubt fall a victim to that overmastering passion as I did before, but looking at it as I do now I would be wiser Boys cannot, however have the mature judgment of manhood without the experience and the rheumatism that go with it So it is better that in our childhood we may be able to eat a raw turnip with safety and know something later on in life

I notice a great change in myself while comparing my present condition with that of joyous boyhood The had no sense, but I had a good digestion Now I haven't even the digestion

The hurrying years have cavorted over my sunny head till they have worn it smooth, but they have left a good deal yet for me to learn I am still engaged in learning during the day and putting arnica on my experience at night

Childhood is said to be the most gladsome period in our lives, and in some respects this statement may be regarded as reliable, but it is not all joy I have had just as much fun in later years as I did in boyhood, though the people with whom I have been thrown in contact claim that their experience has been different. I hope they do not mean anything personal by that

I do sometimes wish that I could be a boy again, but I smother that wish on account of my parents. What they need most is rest and change of scene. They still enjoy children, but they would like a chance to select the children with whom they associate

My parents were blest with five bright-eyed and beautiful little boys, three of whom grew up and by that means became adults. I am in that condition myself I was the eldest of the family with the exception of my parents. I am still that way My early life was rather tempestuous in places, occasionally flecked with sunshine, but more frequently with retribution I was not a very good roadster when young, and so retribution was most always just in the act of overtaking me While outraged justice was getting in its work on me, the other boys escaped through a small aperture in the fence

That is another reason why I do not yearn to be a boy again.

When we ran away from school to catch chubs, and when we built a fire to cook them and the fire got into the tall dry grass and burned four miles of fence and sixteen tons of hay for a gentleman for whom I had a high regard, and I went back to put out the fire, the other boys escaped and have so remained ever since

A just retribution has never had any difficulty in overtaking me and walking up and down over my wishbone

When a party of us had been engaged in gathering Easter eggs in the barn of a gentleman who was away from home at the time, and he returned just as we had filled our pockets with the choicest vintage of his sun kissed hens, the other boys escaped while I was occupying the attention of the dog, and I had to slide out the second story of the barn It is still fresh in my mind as I write I wore my father's vest at that time and it was larger than was necessary My father was larger than I at that time for I was only 9 years of age and had not arrived at my full stature In sliding down the batten I discovered that the upper end of it was loose and that my flowing vest had slipped over it so that when I got down about four feet I hung with the board buttoned inside my bosom and the scandal of eggs coming out of my knickerbockers

NYE IN SUSPENSE

The batten had sprung back against the barn in such a way as to prevent my unbuttoning my vest, and while I hung there on the side of the barn, like a coon skin the proprietor came around and accused me of prematurely gathering his eggs

I had heard truth very highly spoken of by people who had dabbled in it more or less and so I resolved to try it in this instance So I admitted that such was the case, and it was the best thing I could have done, for the man said as I had been so frank with him he would take me down as soon as he got his other work done, and he was as good as his word After he had milked nine cows and fed nine calves he came round with a ladder and took me down He also spanked me and set the dog on me, but I did not mind that for I was accustomed to it To hang on the side of a barn, however, like an autumn leaf trying to kick large holes in the atmosphere is disagreeable

This incident cast a gloom over my whole life It has also reconciled me to the awful decree that I can never be a boy again —Bill Nye in Boston Globe

Facetiæ.

THE CORRECT METHOD.

Lady (to applicant for cook's place)—Did understand you to say that your name is Brown?

Applicant—Yis mum Browne wid de "e"

MAKING SLOW TIME

"I've been on this road ten years," said the conductor on a southern railroad to a passenger who complained of the slow time, an' know what I'm talking about."

"Ten years, eh?" said the passenger "What station did you get on at?"

STRIKING A SYMPATHETIC CHORD

Miss Clara (with a sigh)—Do you know Mr Featherly, that for some unknown reason I feel very blue to night'

Mr Featherly (anxious to say the proper thing, but somewhat at a loss)—Well—er Miss Clara, blue, you know, is very becoming to your complexion – Harper's Bazar

A Mother's Parting Word.

"And above all, Nellie, my love," were the parting words of a lady to her daughter, as the cab to convey the newly wedded pair to the station drew up at the door, "above all Nellie, if you should quarrel—for Reginald but a man, and life is full of thorns—remember that your first duty is to yourself as a lady and a housekeeper Never hit your husband with a rolling pin or a potato masher You could never forgive yourself if the result of such a blow was to be the appearance of a hair at the table in a dish of mashed potatoes or a pie crust when you had company at dinner The poker will do quite as well and is infinitely more ladylike Good by Write every day, and don't forget your pocket ma Boo-hoo."—Maverick

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